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TWO DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The Inman Steamship ETNA, Capt. McGuigan, which left Liverpool at 3 P. M. on the 6th and Queenstown on the 7th of January, arrived at this port yesterday.

The American stocks excited but little attention and attracted but slight comment from the press.

The *Times* has published a letter from Mr. BYNKS reviewing the results of the American war. He admits that progress has been made within the past year especially; but it is proper Europe to its cost! The North can no more continue to borrow 120,000,000 a year indefinitely than a man can continue to spend six times his income for ever. The drain of men, too, cannot be far from a dangerous point when it costs a penny of $150 to obtain a recruit. That these things will have an end is clear enough. Again, in military affairs there is no computation by rule-of-three, because Tennessee has been crossed, a State in which the people were divided, and where rivers and fastnesses assisted the invader. It does not follow that the same army can overrun Georgia under conditions wholly different. In the next campaign the Federals must fight without the support of gunboats on the navigable rivers, without even battles which can be made against a unanimous people. The real question is, not what has been done, but whether that resistance can be accomplished before all the Borderland, southern prosperity of the North can be smitten with a stroke of paralysis. None can wage a war of invasion, costing $150,000,000 a year, without the financial machinery in good working order.

AMERICAN TOPICS.

THE NON-SUCCESS OF THE NORTH.

From the London Times, Jan. 5.

The American civil war has entered into the fourth year of its duration. So far, the predictions of European observers have been verified, and it now seems incomprehensible how American authorities could have taken such an inadequate measure of the calamity. Where one has observed most in the conflict, or is at the present moment most capable of sustaining the terrible pressure on all the resources of the nation, is open to conjecture; but that a peaceable settlement of the quarrel is less possible now than in the first year of the war is certain. All the evidence compels us to believe that the struggle must continue. By the last intelligence we can, at least, form an estimate of how much of its avowed objects has been attained. The subjection of the Southern States, nearly to the old central power of the Republic is the great end the war is to secure. The occupation or conquest of as much Southern territory as may compel that submission is the means by which the Federal government is to reestablish its authority. The abolition of Slavery was combined with the war as a "military measure" only, though it is now made to appear the principal source of the hostilities. The war commenced in the summer of 1861. The campaigns and events of 1862 and 1863 are now matters of history. At the opening of 1864, how much Southern territory has the Northern Federation gained, what has been the effect of that occupation on the policy of the Southern States, and what progress has been made in the abolition of Slavery?

The greatest success of the North was the capture of Vicksburgh, which, it was asserted, opened the whole course of the Mississippi, and divided the revolted States to the east and west of that river. Yet by the last accounts it is evident that the great river of the West is not "open" to navigation. The Federals hold New-Orleans, at the mouth of the Mississippi, and some other points in its course, but the stream is as much closed for traffic as when the Confederates garrisoned Vicksburg. Not a steamer can pass up or down without the risk of being attacked by the Southern guerrilla bands on both banks. The immense territory through which the river winds defies all attempts to occupy it. The whole army of Gen. GRANT now concentrated in East Tennessee would not suffice to "command" the Mississippi and "keep its navigation open." For the greater part of its course it runs through a territory of which the people, as our correspondent says, are "bitterly hostile" to the Federals, and, as the logical consequence of such hostility, the river is closed. The same difficulty is felt in the attempt to open the lines of communication. All the troops the North could raise would not be enough to fight and protect many hundreds of miles of railway at the same time. It would require 100,000 men to keep the single line from the Mississippi to Chattanooga in working order. The disasters appear to make all military skill and to diminish the prize of a successful operation, that it is followed by very slight results. A country may be too large for decisive war, and the waste of whole armies in America seems to prove the fact. Northward sweep over everything but Sweden Paris and Vienna, but Spain and Russia defied him and exhausted his troops in a conflict with their inclemen. Gen. GRANT is now contending with the same kind of difficulties, while the Southern forces appear to be rallying in his front and rear. It is evident that the Federal occupation of Eastern Tennessee, even if it can be maintained, will not bring the war nearer to a conclusion. In Virginia the Southerners have lost nothing in all the campaigns, and every attempt to penetrate their country in this direction has been defeated. The real task of the Army of the Potomac is to defend Washington, which has been as frequently in danger of capture during the war as Richmond. The siege of Charleston has lasted, and the fleet of monitors has suffered as much damage during the operations that it cannot venture within range of the Confederate batteries. The blockade of the Southern coast does not deprive the people of an ample supply of imported articles, nor does the exportation of their produce, when it elude them from purchasing. Goods to the value of a million dollars arrive in the port of Wilmington every four-and-twenty hours. The contraband trade must be profitable in spite of captures and innumerable Southern notes. It seems also that the descriptions of suffering and want endured in the South given in the Northern journals, have been grossly exaggerated. The general tone of affairs of the Confederacy, and the more important the feeling of the people, indicate both ability and determination to continue the struggle. They consider Mr. LINCOLN's last Proclamation as a mere device to secure political success in the North. Its terms they regard with contempt. Time enough has now elapsed to test the effect of his first Proclamation in reference to Slavery. From Mr. LINCOLN's message to Congress it appears that the total number of slaves the Federal armies have liberated is 100,000. This is the whole result of three years of war in the name of Abolition. And at the present rating it has been obtained. For every negro, thus freed, it is calculated that three white men have been killed in the contest. If the four millions of blacks are only to be emancipated at the same cost, the calculation becomes startling terrible, and the feelings of humanity will be appealed to on behalf of the superior race. The worst evil that has grown out of the system of Slavery is the war waged on its extinguish it. To be successful, the conquest of the Southern territory must be complete, and, after all the enormous life and money, most of the task has still to be done. What has been effected in the work of Abolition is from loss to proclamation. The war has liberated one hundred thousand negroes, but the emancipation of millions of slaves continues. Can the most bigoted philanthropist assert that as a way of emancipation, the conflict has been marked by success? Or, taking it as a war of conquest, has the North gained territory enough from the South to destroy its power of resistance and make its return to the Union inevitable? If either of the objects of the struggle had been attained, the fourth year of the war would not have found these questions open and unanswered."

MR. BRIGHT AND THE CALIFORNIA PIRATES.

From the Birmingham Post.

Those of our readers who remember the bankruptcy of Mr. J. RUSSEY, will no doubt remember also that Mr. J. RUSSEY had a brother, younger than himself, who, being sent out to New-York to "settle accounts" with a Mr. HIXX, wandered off to California with, it was stated, certain moneys in his possession. The young man was the subject of a great deal of discussion and evidence in the Bankruptcy Court, and if we remember rightly, the case was adjourned on more than once, for his production as a witness. He never came; but in his place HIXX made his appearance, remarking, when asked what brought him here, "The steamship *Europa*." HIXX, if our recollection serves us as it should do, stated that young RUSSEY had called on him, settled accounts, and set out for California. As to the "settling accounts" we know nothing; but it was agreed on all hands that California was the destination of Mr. J. RUSSEY's brother. It now turns out that the young man has, through the influence of Mr. BRIGHT, M. P., narrowly escaped hanging. So far as we can make out, young RUSSEY, on California, getting money somewhere, became part proprietor of a steamship, which set out from New-York with, as it was supposed, supplies for California. At all events, whether part proprietor or not, he was supercargo; and the "cargo" of which he was "super" seems to have consisted chiefly of arms and ammunition, with a good deal of quicksilver thrown in as "a blind." The real object of the journey, however, seems to have been a practical one, the plan being to fit off San Francisco until an outward-bound gold vessel should fall into the clutches of the crew of the "supply" steamer, in which case there is little doubt that the crew of the gold vessel would have been murdered, and their cargo stolen. Two of RUSSEY's sailors, however, got ashore, and divulged the whole business, whereupon our supply ship was seized, and RUSSEY and his companions were in imminent danger of being hanged; if, indeed, they were not already sentenced; we do not know how this was. This, however, is pretty certain: RUSSEY wrote home explaining that he had an objection to being hanged, but stating that he did not care much for a term of imprisonment, his apartments at the jail being the most comfortable he had occupied for some time past. As was natural, his friends here were greatly concerned; and, feeling that Mr. BIGGS and Mr. COBDEN were about the only persons in this country who had influence enough in America to get a commutation of the young scapegrace's sentence, they applied to the friend of both gentlemen, Mr. CHARLES BUNCE, Ex-Mayor of Birmingham. Mr. BUNCE, a strong advocate for the abolition of capital punishment, at once wrote to Mr. BIGGS, and Mr. BIGGS at once communicated with the Federal Government at Washington. The result was a commutation of RUSSEY's sentence to ten years' imprisonment and a fine of ten thousand dollars. Here Mr. BUNCE's efforts ended. The crime of which RUSSEY was convicted was, as he took it, a very serious one, and the only ground on which he had been induced to interest himself in the young man's behalf was his belief that capital punishment was simply judicial murder. Mr. JOSEPH BUNCE, however, together with certain members of the Society of Friends in Birmingham, looking at the young man's youth, his previous good conduct, and the influences by which he was surrounded, moved Mr. BIGGS to obtain, if possible, a full pardon. Mr. BIGGS, it would seem, complied with the request, and by the last mail, received a letter from which authority in Washington—at all events such a letter has been communicated to RUSSEY's friends—containing the following passage: "RUSSEY's pardon will issue as soon as the papers can be prepared. There is much feeling in California against the crime of RUSSEY and his associates; but the Judge who tried him, and both Senators say, that everybody will be satisfied if it be known that Mr. BIGGS, the good friend of our country, desired the pardon."

GREAT BRITAIN.

The weather in England and also on the Continent was very cold, and navigation at many of the Northern continental ports had been stopped by the intense frost.

The King of the Belgians was expected on a visit to Queen VICTORIA.

It is stated that HERMAN and KING and their seconds, notwithstanding the *certiorari* obtained to remove their case into the Court of Queen's Bench, had elected to be tried at the Sessions in the County of Sussex.

FRANCE.

In the Corps Legislatif on the 5th, several members brought forward amendments to the address expressing greater sympathy with Poland, and an opinion that it is expedient to recognize the Poles as belligerents.

The Paris Bourse on the 5th was dull, but pretty steady. Rentes closed at 66.75.

The report of the Committee upon the supplementary credits requested by the Government has *been published. It concludes as follows:*

"Our mission is to warn the Executive Power with affectionate respect and to hold it back upon the brink of dangerous entanglement. The best devotion is that which knows how to speak salutary truths in time of need. We are unanimous in advising that an end should be put to the Mexican expedition. For me it from us to say at any price, but as the interest and honor of France will permit. The expression of this wish certainly responds to the general sentiment of the country, and we think the Government of the Emperor will receive it with favor."

The Committee unanimously propose the adoption of the bill.

THE ADDRESS OF THE CORPS LEGISLATIF.

PARIS, Monday evening.

The Corps Legislatif held a private sitting this afternoon, at 2 o'clock, for the purpose of hearing M. ST. MARTY, the President, read a draft of his address. The following is a translation of this document, which we are assured was "very favorably received" by the members present:

Sire: The Corps Legislatif shares the confidence with which the renewal of its powers inspires you. Despite the animation of the struggle, the population has shown that it still remains profoundly devoted to the Imperial institutions, to your person, and to your dynasty. In venting to take our part in the examination of public affairs we shall never lose sight of these principles and these sentiments, and we shall act in concert with you so as not to weaken them.

Your Majesty was right in preceding public opinion in the path of industrial and commercial liberty. France, which for a long time had doubted, has faith now in her own strength. Our industries have been able by their efforts and their sacrifices to meet foreign competition. They will display still greater activity when they see the means of transport multiplied and rendered more prompt and more easy. We trust, therefore, that the activity imparted to public works will not be diminished; that no delay will occur in the execution of the railways, and that the improvement of our ports, our rivers, our canals, our high roads, and especially of our local roads, will always be the object of the solicitude of your Government.

Our finances wisely husbanded, relieved from the exceptional circumstances which weigh upon them, will be sufficient to provide for all wants of the country without it being necessary to recur to public credit or to fresh taxation.

Your Majesty, whose liberal dispositions do not contradict themselves, again announces beneficent reforms. We shall study those which will be submitted to us with the desire of accepting your love of real progress. Every measure, the object of which is to destroy the obstacles to the liberty of trade due to individual initiative; to settle on a durable basis the relations between capital placed in different positions on the labor question; and to increase the attributes of the communes and the departments without weakening the central power, will be welcomed by us with favor and gratitude.

We participate in the interest your Majesty feels for everything relating to religion, charity, the arts, letters and science. Primary instruction has rapidly developed since 1848. We think with you that the number of children who are still without it is too great; we hope to see it diminish every year, and finally disappear from our statistics, thanks to the increasing well-being of the population, having for complement the benefits of gratuitousness. We also hope that professional and agricultural instruction may be effectively encouraged, while the level of the studies giving access to the liberal careers is at the same time elevated. This system of uniformity should respond to the wants of families and to the aspirations of modern society, by fortifying every career and by opening to each respectable ambition.

The Corps Legislatif thinks with you, Sire, that the most wisely governed nations cannot always hope to escape external complications, and that they ought to appreciate them without illusion and without exaggeration. The events of Syria, on Crete, Corea, and Mexico, which have followed each other, have disturbed many minds in France, because of the obligations and the sacrifices they entail. We must, that they must inspire respect abroad for our countrymen and for the French flag, and treaties may then develop our maritime commerce, but we should be happy to see the good sense your Majesty leads us to hope for speedily realized.

The recollections of our history, the sentiments of humanity that animate us, excite our warmest sympathies for the fate of the Poles. We have seen with regret that the combined efforts of the three great Powers have not been able in solving this grave question, according to your benevolent intentions. We cannot forget, Sire, that the interests and certain ways of Europe have given peace neutral to France on important occasions. We should regret, if the good relations with the Powers were in jeopardy, that public opinion, wounded with a premature initiative, which would have been an obstacle to peace, the initiative of which might have been so elegant.

Sire, in your eyes, France, whose splendor and glory you have restored, is grateful to you, because you have not consumed her treasures and the blood of her children for causes in which neither her honor nor her interest are involved. Without regret let us injustice receive with unanimous your loyal and gentle protestation. The noble and healthy ideas that God causes to arise in the heart of sovereigns for the welfare of humanity are making their way in the world, and taking root in the heart of the peoples. Wait with tranquility the effect of your generous words.

France, homogeneous, compact, certain of her strength, confident in you, bears no aggression; she has no other ambition may than that of bearing her rank, developing her material welfare by labor and peace, and her moral welfare by the sincere and gradual practice of civil and political liberties.

THE MEXICAN MONARCHY.

RUMORED "ARRANGEMENT" BETWEEN FRANCE AND THE UNITED STATES.

From the London Daily News, Jan. 6.

It is understood that the Archduke MAXIMILIAN and Archduchess CHARLOTTE are very shortly expected in Paris, to visit the Emperor and Empress of the French, on their way to St. Nazaire, where they will probably embark for Vera Cruz in an Austrian steam frigate, attended by a French steamer of war. Several circumstances, including more particularly the recent visit of Marshal FOREY to MEXICO, are said to have determined his imperial highness to sail on his great adventure as Emperor of Mexico. The difficulties originally started by the Archduke were, it will be remembered, of two kinds: In the first place, he required certain guarantees against the contingent hostility of the United States; and in the second, he demanded evidence of his domestic security, if not in the result of a *plébiscite*, at least in a state of things which should assure him that he was not the mere cat-paw of a partial military revolution.

On the former of these points, it is understood that the extraordinary mission of Marshal Forey to Washington had for its result an undertaking of the United States Government not to disturb the new Mexican monarchy; and in return for this assurance, it is believed that certain promises were made by France with regard to the attitude of that country toward the Confederate States. This assurance is thought to have served, in some measure, to satisfy the original requirements of the Archduke, as regards pledges of security against aggression from without. For, as it was only from the United States that hostility was to be apprehended, it was thought that the assurance of the Washington Government would be practically equivalent to a guarantee of support from Great Britain, which was originally suggested by the advisers of the Archduke.

On the latter point it has been, we believe, submitted to the Archduke that any nearer approximation to a popular vote among so scattered and ignorant a population as the Mexicans, than such as was to be obtained from a more or less general submission to the French arms, was altogether impracticable. It is stated that, in accordance with this view, the Archduke has been ready to take the progress of the French arms as an index of the submission of the Mexicans to his rule.

The *Moniteur* has just detailed the advance of the French, Mexican and Indian forces, under command of Gen. BAZAINE. It announces that up to the end of November these forces had spread over the western provinces, having taken Cajaca and Valladolid, and that they were then closely investing Guadalajara, which was then daily expected to surrender. It states also that in the northern provinces JUARES had fled to Durango; that the French were about to take Guanajuato and San Luis Potosi; while the Governor of Chihuahua and New-Leon, whose capital was Monterey, and which formed the extreme northerly States, lying between San Luis Potosi and Texas, had revolted against JUARES, and was ready to accept MAXIMILIAN. Juarez was thus stated to be placed between two fires.

It is on such a general view of the state of the campaign that the Archduke's conclusion is believed to have been formed, and it is stated also that the strong representations of the French Government as to the impossibility of establishing the Mexican Government satisfactorily in his absence, and as to the importance of thus relieving France of some of the burdens of war and administration in that country, which press so heavily on the French Exchequer, have not been without effect.

THE SCHLESWIG-HOLSTEIN QUESTION.

There is increased apprehension of an outbreak, owing to the military movements in Holstein. King CHRISTIAN's proclamation to the Danish army says:

"Our motto is the honor of our country, and it shall be upheld with peace, or if requisite, by force of arms. No life is too costly for the salvation of the fatherland. From the former struggle the army has retained experienced leaders, whom the young troops will now follow with enthusiasm. Courage, not numbers, above all, unhesitating military obedience in all cases, leads to victory."

His Majesty concludes by saying that he should soon gladly visit the different divisions of the troops. His Majesty reviewed a large portion of the army on the 3d, and was to leave for Frederickstadt on the 4th.

Advices from Copenhagen state that it is generally believed in the Capital that a French and also an English fleet will soon appear in the Danish waters. Paris telegrams question the truth of this statement, *but it gathers some strength from the fact that the* British Channel fleet had been ordered home to come port in England.

The following telegrams indicate the activity that is being displayed by the military:

CORSENSERN, Jan. 5.

About 14,000 men of the reserve have been called out by the Ministry of War.

RENDSBURG, Jan. 4.

It is reported that the Danish pioneers have left for the Kronenwerk with instructions to blow up the bridges near the sluice-bridge immediately on the outbreak of hostilities. Hanoverian and Austrian pioneers, with a small pontoon train, have arrived here. It is said they will be employed in erecting defences.

Contracts have been made for supplying provisions to the Federal troops.

BERLIN, Tuesday, Jan. 5.

The Thirteenth division has received orders for immediate concentration in the District of Priegnitz.

It is believed that this order indicates an intention on the part of the Federal troops to immediately occupy Schleswig.

It is stated that the Vienna Cabinet has positively declared to Prussia that it would not take any action in the question of Schleswig should Prussia, in the present state of things, withdraw from the London protocol.

RENDSBURG, Monday, Jan. 4.

Large reinforcements are to be sent from Eckernfoerde to the Island of Fehmern. In case of war, it is believed that flank attacks will be made from that position.

KIEL, Tuesday, Jan. 5.

The Danes have imposed very heavy requisitions upon the southeastern districts of Schleswig, one demand being for 300 three-horse carts, and another for 3,000,000 pounds of straw.

The semi-official *General Correspondenz* of Vienna publishes an article cautioning the minor German States against Denmark. It expresses doubts regarding their power to undertake attacks upon the integrity and independence of States belonging to the Confederation, and says:

"The mission of protecting the Confederation against any chances which might result from European complications belongs only to the great German Powers, and the minor States are mistaken, if they think to be able to carry out attacks against Denmark and her possible allies on their own risk."

The Paris *Pays* asserts that Prussia and Austria are in accord in their determination to occupy Schleswig as a security, but only until the King of Denmark shall have satisfied the engagements entered into in 1851 with those two Powers.

The London *Times* says the private advices from Germany continue unfavorable, the excitement continues, and even the most steady men of business assert that they do not see how war is to be avoided. It is admitted that the sober classes view the whole affair with regret, but that owing to the impression of their being no alternative but a war or revolution, they join in the cry for the former. The Germans, it is added, are a slow people to rise, but when they do, it is very difficult to influence them, and they think they know Lord RUSSELL's love for peace too well to be afraid of his notes.

AUSTRIA.

The Vienna correspondent of the *Times* says Gorz is hardly a statesman or a diplomatist in Vienna who does not think that there will be a war in the Spring. The Emperor FRANCIS JOSEPH is said to have told the head of the War Department that he must be prepared for all contingencies.

POLAND.

There is nothing new in regard to the movements of the insurrectionists. It is stated that 850 prisoners, including Count SIGISMUND KRASOWSKI, were dispatched from Warsaw to Siberia on the 3d instant.

GREECE.

There were reports that the new King had entered Athens, convinced of his incapacity to restitute the confusion of the country. Their authenticity, however, is disputed.

It is stated that a comprehensive project had been submitted to the National Assembly for an establishment, charged with the express functions of attending to and reducing the Greek debt.

Financial and Commercial.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

The funds showed continued heaviness and want of confidence. Consols on the 6th were quoted at 90⅝@91.

The demand for discount at the Bank was comparatively light, and in the open market transactions took place at 6⅞ ⅌ cent.

MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday, Jan. 6—P. M.

COTTON—The Cotton market, on Monday, opened buoyantly as a still further advance in some descriptions of ⅛d.@¼d., but it has become quiet, although prices are maintained. Sales of the three days 24,000 bales, about 10,000 being for speculation and export.

TRADE AT MANCHESTER.

Producers have demanded an advance commensurate with the rise in Liverpool; but buyers resist, and business is, consequently, almost brought to a stand.

BREADSTUFFS—Messrs. WAKEFIELD, NASH & Co., BULLARD, ANNA & Co., and others, report: Flour in better demand, and 6d. dearer. Wheat in speculative request, at 2s.@3d. ⅌ central advance; Winter Red, 8s. 9d.@9. 1d.; Southern Red, 8s. 3d.@8s. 4d. Corn quiet, the stock being larger than expected; Mixed, 31s.@31s. 3d.

PROVISIONS—Messrs. RICHARDSON, SPENCE & Co., and GORDON, BAUGH & Co., report: Beef quiet and easier for inferior. Pork steady; Prime Eastern, 65s. Bacon in good request, and the turn dearer. Butter very firm; Choice, 100s.@104s. Cheese steady. Lard firm, and partially 6d.@1s. dearer; Fine, 41s.@41s. 6d. Tallow steady, 48s.@48s. for North American.

POTASH—Ashes in good demand. Pots 28s.@28s. 6d.; Pearls 38s. Sugar firm. Coffee quiet but steady. Rice inactive. Nothing doing in Hemp. Linseed Oil quiet at 37s. Rosin and Spirits of Turpentine—nothing worthy of notice. Petroleum firm. Refined 1s. 9d.@1s. 9½d.; Crude steady at 8½. Linseed Cakes £8 17s. 6d. offered for American but refused.

LONDON MARKETS.

BREADSTUFFS firmer and WHEAT 1s. ⅌ quarter dearer. SUGAR brisk and 6d.@1s. higher. COFFEE firm at full prices. TEA in good demand and partially rather dearer. RICE firm. TALLOW F. C., 48s.@48s. 6d. LINSEED OIL 36s. 9d. RUSSIAN OF TURPENTINE 72s. 6d. for French.

BY TELEGRAPH VIA QUEENSTOWN.

LONDON, Thursday Morning, Jan. 7.

Applications for discount at Bank yesterday were again moderate. All the markets opened yesterday with increased depression, and became still more dull as business proceeded. In the afternoon, however, the telegrams from Germany were less unfavorable, and a report then gained currency not only that proposals for conference had been agreed to by France and England, but that there is reason to believe they will be accepted by the German Powers—a recovery from the previous fall took place.

The *Times* is suspicious of the ultra pacific tone of the Emperor of the French, and is of opinion that such a line of conduct is at this time, much more than any other, favorable to the schemes of French ambition. At this particular juncture of affairs for the Emperor and the Chambers of France to confine themselves to preaching the merits of peace is by no means the readiest way to obtain it. It would be better if France were to employ her whole influence in her endeavors to check those suicidal passions which are urging Germany into a war which must, before long, sweep into its ever-widening vortex every power of the European continent.

Sir Wm. HALL, late Admiral of the Fleet, is dead.

The case of HERMAN and KING is postponed to the next Lewes Quarter Sessions.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE—THURSDAY, JAN. 7.

Opening Prices—Consols, money, 91 to ¼; Consols, account, 4th February, 91⅛ to ¼; New Threes, 91 to ¼.

LIVERPOOL, Thursday, Jan. 7.

Cotton sales, to-day, 1,600 bales. The market is tending downward, closing dull and inactive at a decline of nominally prices. BREADSTUFFS buoyant. PROVISIONS steady and unchanged, except Lard, which is tending upward. PETROLEUM firm; Refined 1s. 10d.

LONDON, Thursday, Jan. 7.

Consols for money 91@91¼. American securities flat. Illinois Central Shares 20@24 discount. Erie Shares 34@36.

LONDON, Thursday, Jan. 7.

There is no change to report in the Holstein question.

IMPORTANT FROM TENNESSEE.

Longstreet Reinforced and Reported to be Moving on Knoxville.

Morgan Threatening Our Communications.

CINCINNATI, Saturday, Jan. 23.

The *Dispatch* says Capt. ELLY, a staff officer from Knoxville, Thursday, a week ago, brings information that LONGSTREET had been reinforced with 20,000 men, and was advancing on Knoxville, pushing GRANGER's forces before him. It was thought that our army would be compelled to fall back to the intrenchments at Knoxville.

It was reported that JOHN MORGAN, at the head of 5,000 cavalry, was about to make a movement to cut off communications between Knoxville and Chattanooga, or for a raid in Kentucky.

INTERESTING FROM CAIRO.

A Rebel Outrage—Capture of Guerrillas—Trade on the Mississippi—Heavy Re-Enlistments.

CAIRO, Sunday, Jan. 24.

One of the One Hundred and Seventeenth New-York Volunteers, having straggled away from the line of march during Gen. SHERMAN's late expedition in West Tennessee, was hung up by the heels and had his throat cut.

Thirty-two guerrillas were captured on the 20th near Paris, Kentucky, and taken to Columbus.

The steamer *Hillman*, from Memphis, the 21st, has arrived with 450 bales of cotton. Maj.-Gen. HURLBUT came as a passenger on board.

Gen. HURLBUT has issued an order committing the commerce of the Mississippi River exclusively to the agents of the Treasury Department, who will be responsible for the amounts, character and disposition of the supplies, and for the character of the persons to whom the same are given. No permits will hereafter be required or given by the military authorities, except for the purchase of military or military supplies.

Gen. SHERMAN has returned to Memphis from Vicksburgh.

Refollistments are being rapidly pushed forward. Nearly the entire Sixteenth Army Corps will reenlist.

All was quiet at Vicksburgh.

Twenty thousand men of the Seventeenth Army Corps have reenlisted. It is understood that Gen. BURSIDE will take the command.

The Memphis cotton market was unchanged.

The steamer *Swan*, from New-Orleans the 15th inst., has arrived with the Twenty-fourth Indiana Volunteers, 300 strong, six mule teams and furloughs, and 100 other furloughed men from various regiments. She also brings a large list of groceries for St. Louis and other points on the Ohio River.

Recruiting Regulations.

CINCINNATI, Sunday, Jan. 24.

The Sixth New-Hampshire Volunteers arrived here yesterday, and the One Hundred and Ninth Pennsylvania, and the Twelfth, Sixty-sixth and Fifty-seventh Illinois regiments, all reenlisted, have arrived at Louisville.

JOHN MORGAN, an old citizen, died yesterday evening.

NEWS FROM WASHINGTON.

SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE N. Y. TIMES.

WASHINGTON, Sunday, Jan. 24.

THE PROPOSED NAVAL RACE.

The rate of three thousand dollars was raised yesterday in the Navy Department to pay the expenses of the race to which the *Kin Kiang* has been invited, and the money has been forwarded to Fortress Monroe, where the rendezvous is to meet her rival, and take a neck-and-neck start for New York. Naval officers here are eager to bet on the Entire. They say that with twenty inches of steam she has repeatedly, and for long spaces of time, made fifteen knots the hour, and they feel confident that however swift the *Kin Kiang* may be, the *Entire* have the war-ship beaten four knots the hour. It is understood here that the two forward guns of the *Entire* will be taken off, and her armorition removed before the race begins, solely to lighten her.

GOVERNMENT FINANCES.

The Secretary of the Treasury has determined to pay the five per cent. legal tender notes to the creditors of the Government. No more long bonds will be issued at present. It is the Secretary's opinion that inflation will not assist upon the issue of the notes; that they will be hoarded as soon as interest begins to accumulate upon them.

REBEL PRISONERS AND THE AMNESTY.

There is little doubt that at least one-half of the rebel prisoners in our hands would cheerfully avail themselves of the President's Amnesty Proclamation if they had an opportunity of doing so. The following extract from a letter, written by a captive at Point Lookout, to his brother here, expresses the sentiment and feeling of many rebels now held as prisoners of war:

"I am here a prisoner against my will. I have no sympathy with the South, and although I now wear the uniform of a rebel soldier, never had any sympathy with her. I was forced into the rebel ranks in 1862. During that time I have made three attempts to escape the rebel service by deserting. The last time I tried to get away, I was caught, tried by Court-martial, and sentenced to be shot for desertion. My life was saved by the interposition of my Colonel.

I am as loyal to the Union as you are. Won't you try to have me released. I would rather die than be exchanged and go back into the rebel ranks. There are now in confinement here five thousand men who would be glad to take the President's oath, and more than one-half of them would gladly join the Union army."

TRADE ON THE MISSISSIPPI.

Secretary CHASE will to-morrow or next day issue new regulations to govern the trade in cotton and other property in the Mississippi Valley that shall remove all the restrictions at present complained of, and effectually prevent its falling into the hands of monopolists and military favorites.

AID TO A NEW STEAMSHIP LINE.

The Senate Commerce Committee is disposed to treat liberally the application for Government aid made in behalf of a line of steamers from California to China, and from New-York to South America.

GEN. HOSKINS AND GEN. SCHOFIELD.

The order sending HOSKINS to the Department of Missouri, and SCHOFIELD to the Army in Tennessee, has been made out.

MISS ANNA E. DICKINSON.

Miss ANNA E. DICKINSON has been invited by the Mayor and the most eminent citizens of Cincinnati to speak in that city in the month of February.

TOBACCO AND COAL OIL.

The WAYS and MEANS Committee will report on tobacco and petroleum on Tuesday or Wednesday.

FREE OFFICERS IN THE WAR DEPARTMENT.

Lieut.-Col. CORBAN, for some months Free Officer in the War Department, has been assigned to duty on the staff of Maj.-Gen. SYKES. His successor is Col. PELOUZE, late of Gen. MCDOWELL's staff.

BRIG.-GEN. GETTY.

Brig.-Gen. GETTY, recently in command at Portsmouth, Va., has been assigned to duty as Chief of Artillery on Gen. MEADE's staff.

PAY FOR THE ARMY OF THE POTOMAC.

The Army of the Potomac has not yet been paid off. It is expected that funds will be ready by the middle of the week. The amount required is six millions of dollars.

GOLD IN IDAHO.

The Commissioner of the General Land Office to-day received an interesting letter from Mr. G. M. UTTER, dated BANNOCK CITY, Idaho Territory, Nov. 20, 1863, giving a description of the gold region in that vicinity. He says:

"Bannock City, or East Bannock, is situated on a tributary of Beaver Creek, east of Grasshopper River. The mountains on either side of the town, in the vicinity of the city are fully five thousand feet above the level of the stream. In this valley or point, and clear up the sides of the mountains, diggings for over twenty miles have been discovered, and claims have been staked off wherever a show of gold is to be seen. The highest yield thus far, to the pan has been five hundred. The average yield to the pan is about five dollars."

NEW NATIONAL BANKS.

The following National Banks have been authorized since the 18th inst.:

	Capital.
First National Bank, St. Paul, Minn.	$250,000
First National Bank, Baltimore, Md.	1,100,000
First National Bank, Springfield, Ill.	150,000
First National Bank, Sonthart, Ind.	50,000
Second National Bank, Peoria, Ill.	200,000
First National Bank, New-Brunswick, N. J.	150,000
First National Bank, Omaha, Neb. Ter.	50,000
Second National Bank, Sandusky, Ohio.	150,000
First National Bank, Lockport, N. Y.	150,000
First National Bank, Kenosha, Wis.	50,000
Second National Bank, Philadelphia, Penn.	100,000
Total	$2,250,000

EXAMINING SURGEONS.

The Commissioner of Pensions to-day made the following appointments of examining surgeons: Dr. RENSAE W. EARLE, Columbia, Wisconsin; Dr. N. S. DANSON, Berlin, Wisconsin; Dr. JOHN D. CORP, Fairfield, Illinois.

REVISION OF THE ARMY REGULATIONS.

A Board, of which Gen. E. A. HITCHCOCK is President, has assembled here to revise the army regulations.

DISPATCHES TO THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Sunday, Jan. 24.

GEN. ROSECRANS' COMMAND.

It is said in military circles that last Friday an order was sent to Gen. ROSECRANS to assume the command of the Department of Missouri.

A RESOLUTION REJECTED.

Among the amendments rejected, when the amendatory Internal Revenue bill was before the House, was one offered by Representative ELIHU WASHBURNE, providing that the act should not apply to such distilled spirits or ale actually on shipboard and bound to the United States, and on deposit in bonded warehouses or public stores when the act shall take effect.

FERNANDO WOOD AND PEACE COMMISSIONERS.

Representative FERNANDO WOOD has, it is said, prepared a speech to be delivered on the constitutional Confiscation Bill, in which he will enforce his views as to the propriety and necessity of appointing Peace Commissioners to the Richmond Government.

KENTUCKY LEGISLATURE.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Saturday, Jan. 23—P. M.

Four ballots were taken in the Kentucky Legislature to-day, with the following result:

Guthrie	61	Burnam	10
Bell	10	Buckner	5

Sixty-five votes are required for an election.

Vacancies at Home.

PITTSBURGH, Sunday, Jan. 24.

The Seventy-fifth Pennsylvania regiment arrived from Lookout Mountain, to-day, and were received by a deputation of Germans, who display great there a supper to night.

FROM THE SOUTH.

ARRIVAL OF THE COSMOPOLITAN

THE BOMBARDMENT OF CHARLESTON.

STEADY PROGRESS OF OUR ASSAULT.

List of Sick and Wounded.

The United States Hospital transport steamer Cosmopolitan, Capt. A. C. CADMAN, arrived at this port yesterday afternoon, bringing the sick and wounded soldiers from the Department of the South.

The *Cosmopolitan* left Port Royal at 7 o'clock on the evening of the 21st, making the trip in 60 hours. Her medical officers are Assistant Surgeon EDWARD BULLITT, of the Sixth Connecticut Volunteers, and RUSSEL P. POMEROY, of the Seventh.

Three deaths occurred on the passage—Peter WEAVER, of the One Hundred and Sixty-ninth New-York; WILLIAM DAVIS, One Hundred and Forty-fourth New-York Volunteers, and one other.

The *Fulton* was to leave Port Royal on the 23d. She will be due here on Tuesday.

We are indebted to CHARLES E. PETERSON, Purser of the *Cosmopolitan*, for the prompt delivery of our dispatches.

SIEGE OF CHARLESTON.

Condition of the Army—Progress of the Siege—Sale of Confiscated Estates—Miscellaneous.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

HILTON HEAD, S. C., Thursday, Jan. 21, 1864.

Nothing of unusual interest has transpired at this point since the date of my last dispatch. The shelling of Charleston from Fort Putnam is continued night and day, at intervals of ten minutes. One gun alone has fired over 1,100 rounds, at an elevation of forty degrees. Charleston is gradually crumbling under this incessant bombardment. We often observe dense clouds of smoke arising from some portion of the city, which is considered good evidence that our firing is effective.

Occasionally we send a few missiles to Moultrie or Johnson, or some other rebel work, which are reluctantly replied to by the enemy. For some weeks past the enemy has evinced an unmistakable desire to be let alone. He invariably waits for an attack before using his pieces.

We do not observe any changes of note along the borders of the rebel lines.

The fine-clad fleet remain on picket duty off Charleston, notwithstanding rumors to the effect that a number of the monitors had been dispatched for service to the Gulf. The Court of Inquiry instituted to investigate the circumstances attending the loss of the Weehawken have not yet made public the result of their proceedings. The impression generally prevails that casualtemen will be found to be the immediate cause of the disaster. This conclusion would accord with the belief of numerous naval officers who witnessed the sinking of the vessel, and who have since had opportunities of strengthening their opinions.

The work of raising the Weehawken and the Keokuk, although not abandoned, has not progressed actively of late. The vessels consist of such a vast quantity of metal, added to which is a tremendous weight of loose iron, including guns and ammunition, that the machinery required for bringing the entire mass to the surface must necessarily be of the best material and of extensive proportions. A few adjuncts, in the way of machinery, will soon be supplied, when the labor will be resumed. It is believed the bodies—with two or three exceptions—of the unfortunate men who went down in the Weehawken are still in the sunken vessel. The exceptions refer to the bodies washed upon the beach a few days after the accident occurred.

The subjoined circular, issued by Gen. SAXTON, has been extensively circulated about Beaufort and the adjacent islands. It will be observed that the General gives wholesome advice to the people concerning matters appertaining to the purchase and culture of the soil. Pursuant to instructions from Washington,

OUR FAST STEAMERS AND THE NAVY DEPARTMENT.

Letter from Mr. E. A. Rutherford.

NEW-YORK, JAN. 22, 1864.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Will you be good enough to read this letter. I doubt seriously whether you have ever read the replies to Mr. Dickerson, although, from the obnoxious position accorded to his communications, it is evident that if you do not read them you at least know their substance. Now, sir, you will be astonished when I tell you that your paper has been the means of perpetuating one of the grossest frauds on truth and justice ever devised by man, and that your editorial conduct, in backing up the false positions of Mr. Dickerson, of New-York, has caused you to be judged very harshly by professional engineers. In reply, sir, to my official report, which was printed in your paper on Thursday, although your reporter promised me it should not appear until Friday, you published a communication from Mr. Dickerson, to expose the nature of which shall be the object of this letter.

Mr. DICKERSON states that my "object in reporting a statement of facts to the Navy Department, was to prove that he made a false statement in regard to the engines of the Ericsson, and to bring him into such probable disgrace." This is not so. My object was to report the truth, and had Mr. Dickerson built the entire engines of the vessel, I would have stated so.

It was not my intention, or that of the Navy Department, to prove that Mr. DICKERSON did not get up the valve gear of the Ericsson; but his communication to the Times, having been endorsed by many persons to convey the impression that he had furnished drawings for other portions of that vessel, the Government determined to ascertain the fact.

So much space should have been devoted to an explanation of Mr. DICKERSON's representation of my report, I pay now to show where he stands, and what are the facts in regard to his statements. Everybody who reads the newspapers knows that Mr. DICKERSON has been endeavoring to prove to the public journals that our naval vessels have failed in speed. He recently published a pamphlet, on the title page of which "The Causes of the Failure of Our Steamers" was printed in very large capitals. When the Navy Department, caused by the uncomfortable outspoken of the New-York press in regard to this man, had made an offer to run over of the navy steamers against a merchant ship, Mr. Dickerson came out with a letter, which appeared on the editorial page of the New-York Times. I extract a paragraph from that letter: "The general impression of this challenge is, that the Navy Department has a sea-going steamer built after the plans, which can run with the *Adriatic* and *Africa*, and if such was the fact, the Navy would have much to be proud; but the fact is, that the boat which Mr. Fox proposes to run is not a sea-going steamer, but only a side-wheel double-ender—a large ferry-boat—built light, to go into the lagoons of the south after savage or guerrillas . . . . . all the engines of these boats are made with an independent valve—the Stevens cut-off—which is most largely used, &c. Now, sir, you will find that one of the most important portions of the controversy now going on in the papers is, whether the Rodgers, and vessels of her class, have an independent cut-off? That is one of the little pieces of ground left under Mr. DICKERSON's feet since his wholesale attack on the speed of the navy have been hurled down in their present ruins, but this feeling will soon go from under him.

The Rodgers, sir, and the Ericsson class of her class, have not an independent cut-off—never had, never a thing. In fact, she has no more of a cut-off than any other steam vessel built for the navy, except some vessels the valve gear of which was constructed by Mr. DICKERSON.

Now, Sir, I ask you, as a fair, honorable man, to consider the bearing this fact has on Mr. DICKERSON's statement. With a tribunal sufficiently just and not prejudiced by any man in America, he has had the statements impertinent to run into print, and state that cut-off valves were gear in an independent cut-off, but in order to make the Editor of the Times and the public think the Navy Department has no fear of having the truth investigated, I will, for the present, ignore the fact that Mr. DICKERSON has known of the fact that Mr. DICKERSON has known of the fact that the Rodgers and Ericsson class of New-York Editors, and doubt to his own propositions. He proclaims that the Ericsson and Lackawanna, and vessels of that class, which he believes ought to be built without cut-offs, should make more than nine knots an hour. Now, Sir, Mr. DICKERSON, leaving out of sight the misconceptions altogether, is only a gentleman and a lawyer of New-York, who has never, I believe, been on board any of the screw sloops he talks of on a trial trip. On the other hand, Capt. Bosch, of the navy, is an officer of high reputation and of unblemished character. His honest conduct in the command of the Tacoma procured for him an honorable and well-deserved reputation. That officer, Sir, in obedience to the instructions of Secretary WELLES, commanded the screw sloop Lackawanna, of the Lackawanna class, on a sea trial trip, and on general service. He experienced in her very rough weather, and he reports, Sir, to the Navy Department that the vessel can make twelve and a half and thirteen knots an hour; that the Sid make it, under his own personal supervision; and that she was not put to her full force in order to. Capt. Bosch is now in this City, Sir, attached to Admiral Gansevort's staff, and can substantiate his report to the Navy Department. The public will judge whether he is to be believed, or a man who has been obliged within the last six weeks to take back his assertions, one by one, until he is now left without a single foot of earth to stand upon.

Time has gone, Mr. Editor, when the falsehoods of Mr. DICKERSON will be allowed to go unanswered in the New-York press. Editors who know nothing about technical matters may be carried away by his jesting conversations of matters entirely foreign to their knowledge; but the public will henceforth have the facts placed before them, whether they believe them or not.

Allow me to say one word in regard to Mr. PARKER, of the firm of OLIVERS & Co. He is sorry that I submitted for publication the subject of his conversation. It was not intended for publication when I wrote it, and reports of this kind are always written by Naval agents or officers, as if they were not to be printed. You must look to your reporter for the untimely publication of the matter. In justice to myself, however, I must state that the only portion of Mr. PARKER's conversation, which I believe he would not like to publish, is left out of my report. I did not think, from his manner of speaking it, that he would even wish me to communicate it to the department. That part of the conversation concerning Mr. DICKERSON's conduct in this matter.

Your obedient servant,

EDWIN A. RUTHERFORD.

The Great Naval Ferry-Boat Race.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

It is truly stated in the *Herald*, of to-day, that a very doubtful wager, called the *Chicora*, has just completed her trial at the dock in New-York of 72 hours—72 hours are called a "complete cycle" by the Engineer-in-chief—and that she turned her wheels ten times a minute. This boat is similar to the *Rodgers*, and to about thirty others, hulls and buildings, by engine, boilers and hull; so that Capt. Fox is credited with a wager to drive the Ric Rizzy without waiting for the breaking up of the ice in the Potomac. And the owner of the Ric Rizzy will be able, I presume, to make the match without any serious delay to their claim—but I do not share their views. This boat is a much fairer one to race with than the *Rodgers*, because she is new. Mike the Ric Rizzy, "has run more than one hundred cycles," whereas the Ric Rizzy has only run about one hundred of a "cycle". But the Chicora purchase matters four days, that is the dock at New-York, January 20th, and turning her wheels in December, and in fact is much better order than the Ric Rizzy boat.

Yours, &c., E. W. DICKERSON.

FIFTH CONTRACTED VOLUNTEERS.—This regiment of enlisted veterans, 350 strong, Col. SAMUEL Commanding, eleven days from Chattanooga, came by the Erie Railroad to the City yesterday and quartered at the Park Barracks, on its way to Connecticut, 30 furloughs for thirty days.

GENERAL CITY NEWS.

MASS MEETING OF WORKING JEWELERS.—A mass meeting of the working jewelers of New-York was held at 3 P. M., yesterday, at No. 113½ Bowery, for the purpose of forming a protective union. The meeting was organized by electing Mr. L. N. NATHAN Chairman, Mr. HENDRICKS DIEZIME Secretary, and Mr. SZAIBEL Treasurer. After a pretty full discussion, all present enrolled their names; a brief adjournment to draft resolutions was had, and a series of resolutions, providing for the election of delegates from each shop, with powers to act for the common benefit, and to prepare a proper constitution and by-laws. The meeting then adjourned.

THE ART OF MONEY-GETTING.—On Wednesday evening next, Mr. P. T. BARNUM will deliver his famous lecture on "The Art of Money-getting," at the Cooper Institute. This lecture has been delivered in the principal cities of England and America, and been received with approval. At the conclusion of the lecture, four successful giants, the Albino family, the Tyrolean whistler, the Lightning Calculator, and the living "What is It," will be exhibited. As the gross receipts are for the benefit of the United States Sanitary Commission and the National Freedmen's Society, the hall must be crowded to its utmost capacity.

COOPER UNION—LECTURE.—The annual course of lectures of the Cooper Union on "Social and Political Science," will begin next Friday evening, the 29th inst., at 8 o'clock. Like all the departments of this Institution, these lectures are free, but to avoid a crowd the admission will be by tickets, which can be obtained at the reading-room of the Institution, from 8 A. M. till 10 P. M.

BROOKLYN NEWS.

THE BROOKLYN FIRE DEPARTMENT.—The total number of men drafted into the military service from the Fire Department of the Western District, and whose commutation was paid by the city, was forty. At a meeting of the Board of Officers recently held, the Committee on the subject made their report to the above effect. The Chief Engineer stated that two or three bills had been introduced into the State Legislature in regard to the Fire Department. Last year a bill had been passed, by which the entire yearly expenditure of both departments was limited to the sum of $50,000. He did not think the sum sufficient—$100,000, he contended, would not be too much for the purpose. In the discussion which ensued, it was stated that the salaries of the different officers, which amounted to about $16,000 a year, was included in the appropriations. The amount is nearly equally divided between the Eastern and the Western Districts, although the latter department contains five times as many men as the former. Three new companies have been organized during the year, and it would take at least $12,000 from the funds to purchase lots and build houses therefor. In view of this fact a resolution was adopted requesting the Fire Commissioners to organize no more new companies without consulting the Board of Officers. A resolution was also adopted providing for the appointment of a committee of three to proceed to Albany, and consult with our Representatives in regard to the bills now before them. The Foremen of Engines Nos. 5 and 14, Hose No. 2, and Hook and Ladder No. 5, were appointed such Committees.

DIED OF THEIR INJURIES.—HENRY MARCELLE, who was severely injured some days since, by being caught in the machinery in HUGHES' sabucco factory in Red Hook, died on Saturday morning. An inquest was held by Coroner NOPKIN, and a verdict of accidental death returned. An inquest was held upon the body of JOHN PATTERS, mate of a vessel lying at Wheeler's Dock, who fell down the hatchway into the hold, and sustained fatal injuries. A verdict in accordance was rendered by the jury.

FIRE.—About 11 o'clock on Saturday a fire broke out in an unoccupied house in Underhill-avenue, near Flatbush-avenue. The premises are owned by Mr. JOHN CASSNER, and the house has remained in an unfinished condition for the past five years. The fire originated in the attic, and was the work of an incendiary. Damage, $500; no insurance.

THE TENTH WARD ALDERMEN.—The Democrats of the Tenth Ward have nominated Mr. FRANCIS KELLY as candidate for Alderman in place of Mr. J. O. NEWMAN, resigned. The Republican nominee is Mr. A. J. VAN HUSEN. The election will take place on the first Tuesday in February.

THE REV. H. W. BEECHER.—It is understood that Rev. HENRY WARD BEECHER declines accepting the gratuity of $5,000 recently tendered to him by the congregation of Plymouth Church. The Society, having refused to raise his salary, voted him the above-named sum as a donation.

CONTRACTS FOR REPAIRING THE STREETS.—The Brooklyn Board of Contracts have awarded the contract for repairing the streets of the Western District to MICHAEL BAXTER, for the sum of $15,000; and to J. H. COLGRAN, for repairing the streets of the Eastern District, for $4,500.

BROOKLYN CITY MORTALITY.—The total number of deaths in the City last week was 123, of which 23 were men, 32 women, and 68 children. Natives of the United States, 101; Ireland, 10; Germany, 9; England, 1; France, 1; Scotland, 2.

Williamsburgh.

ROBBERY OF CLOTHING.—Some thieves who are evidently acquainted with the premises, on Friday night entered the premises at the Manor House, in East Brooklyn, and robbed a tailor named M. FIRESTONE of customers' clothing, to the value of $250. There is no clue to the thieves.

AWARDED.—Hon. JOHN H. COLAHAN, Judge of the Fourth District Court, has been awarded a contract for repairing the streets of Brooklyn, E. D., for the present year, at $4,000. It says the Judge is not affected by reason of his official position. Messrs. HILL & TYERMAN are the next lowest bidders at $5,000.

SNEAK THIEVES.—On Saturday afternoon, between 2 and 3 o'clock P. M., the house of Mr. M. LONG, No. 39 Grand-street, Brooklyn, E. D., was entered by some sneak thieves and robbed of clothing to the amount of $40.

ROBBING RECRUITS.—Officers COCHEN and DALY, of Brooklyn, E. D., on Saturday morning arrested a colored boarding-house keeper named BEN BLACK, of No. 42 Baxter-street, New-York, who had robbed two colored recruits of their bounty-money. Four hundred and nineteen dollars was found on his person and returned to the volunteers, whose names are JOHN ROGERS and ELIJAH DAVIS.

A man named JOHN JOHNSON, substitute for a draft, of man named DUFFY, of No. 41 Pacific-street, Brooklyn, was also arrested for jumping the bounty from the Fifty-second, One Hundred and Fifty-eighth and One Hundred and Sixty-fourth regiments, was also arrested by the same officers.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDAR—THIS DAY.

SUPREME COURT, CIRCUIT.—*Part 1.*—Nos. (set down causes) 600, 1,079, 982. General Calendar—893, 897, 899, 900, 949, 951, 956, 958, 987, 990, 997, 998. *Part 2.*—Nos. (set down causes) 888, 272, 669, 2. General Calendar—842, 860, 862, 864, 866, 868, 702, 710, 722, 742, 760.

SUPREME COURT.—Nos. 19, 21, on Demurrer Calendar: 26, 203, 187, 14, 208, 156, 216, 240, 247, 67.

SUPREME COURT.—*Part 1.*—Nos. 1169, 2123, 350, 2275, 2276, 2277, 2281, 2283, 2285, 2287, 2288, 2289, 2290, 2291, 2292, 2293, 2294, 2295, 2296, 2297, 2298, 2299, 2300, 2301, 2302, 2303, 2304, 2305, 2306, 2307, 2308, 2309, 2310, 2311, 2312, 2313, 2314, 2315, 2316, 2317, 2318, 2319, 2320, 2321, 2322, 2323, 2324, 2325, 2326,

GENERAL MARKETS

New-York, Saturday, Jan. 23, 1864—5 P. M.

The receipts of the principal kinds of Produce since our last have been: 19 bbls. Asnes, 14,000 bbls. Flour, 600 bbls. and 2,000 bags Corn Meal, 476 bushels Wheat, 18,122 bushels Corn, 98 bushels Rye, 22,000 bushels Oats, 1,700 bushels Malt, 2,604 pkgs. Provisions, and 2,004 bbls. Whiskey.

ASHES—Sales 25 bbls. morning. Pots are $6 75, and Pearls at $10 @ 10 50 for No. 1. Stock in the Inspection Warehouse, this morning, 479 bbls., including 266 bbls. Pots and 60 bbls. Pearls.

COFFEE—Continues quiet at former rates. Java, at 40c. @41c.; Ceylon, 38c.; Rio, 32½c. @34½c.; Laguayra, 32½c. @34½c.; Maracaibo, 32c. @32½c. [illegible]

COTTON—Is in fair request at drooping prices, including 2,000 bales of W. S. Sales and receipts since our last, 2,200 bales.

FLOUR AND MEAL—State and Western Flour has been in some request for home trade, and prices of desirable lots have ruled well upheld. Sales since our last, 12,500 bbls., including Canadian, Genesee, Ohio and Western at $5 @ [illegible] for common to extra State; $5 [illegible] @ $5 [illegible] for round-hoop extra Ohio, chiefly for export, and $5 [illegible] @ $5 [illegible] for round-hoop extra Ohio, shipping brands, or for export or home trade, at $5 [illegible] @ $5 [illegible], chiefly at $5 [illegible] @ $5 [illegible] for superfine State and Western.....

GRAIN—Wheat has been in fair request, chiefly for export, at uniform rates. Sales, since our last, 120,000 bushels, including White Western at $1 [illegible] @ $1 [illegible]; Amber Western, at $1 [illegible] @ $1 [illegible]; Red Western, at $1 [illegible] @ $1 [illegible]; Amber Iowa, Wisconsin and Green Bay, at $1 [illegible] @ $1 [illegible], and delivered at Milwaukee Club, at $1 [illegible] @ $1 [illegible]; Chicago Spring, at $1 [illegible] @ $1 [illegible]; Red State, at $1 [illegible] afloat and delivered, in bond. Corn has been in good request, and prices have ruled higher. Sales, since our last, 346,000 bushels, including at $1 [illegible] @ $1 [illegible] in store, and delivered, in bond, Western Mixed, at $1 [illegible] @ $1 [illegible]; Western Yellow and White, at $1 [illegible] @ $1 [illegible]; for New Yellow and White Jersey, and request, at $1 [illegible] @ $1 [illegible] for new or very [illegible] Western and Northern, 9 bushel. Oats are in active request at firmer rates. We quote Canada at 65c. @ [illegible]; Western, at 63c. @ [illegible]; State, at 63c. @ [illegible]; Jersey, at 65c. @ [illegible] 9 bushel. Sales, 117,000 bushels, chiefly for Government use. Barley is in demand, at 91 [illegible] @ [illegible] for Canadian, 9 bushel; Chiefly Western, at [illegible] @ [illegible]. Barley Malt at $1 [illegible] @ $1 [illegible] 9 bushel. Sales 4,500.

HAY—North River hay continues in fair demand at $1 [illegible] @ [illegible] in bags and [illegible] 9 100 lbs.

HOPS—New are in good request, at from 20c. @ [illegible], according to quality, 9 lb.

HIDES—Receipts this week, 28,952 hides; salted, 27,000 hides; and 1,000 bales do.; the latter [illegible] according to Messrs. Wright, Sons & Wormsser, 15,000 Buenos Ayres, 21,000 Rio, 20,000 Mo., cash, usual selection; 2,000 Assinoboin, 10,000 Rio, 27c. cash, usual selection; 1,000 Pampas, 23 Rio, 25c. cash, usual terms; 1,000 Savanilla dry salted, 28 Rio, on private terms; 5,500 Pernambuco dry salted, 31 Rio, on private terms; 2,000 Texas dry salted, 25 Rio, on private terms; 1,500 Maracaibo, 28 Rio, 25½c. cash, on private terms; 300 Mexican, 30 Rio, 29½c. cash, on private terms; 100 Calcutta East India, 31 Rio, on private terms; 1,700 South-American, 18 Rio, on private terms; 1,000 Cuba, 28 Rio, on private terms; 2,000 Western Slaughter, 30c. cash, on private terms; 1,700 City Slaughter, 60c. cash, on private terms; 1,700 City Slaughter, 60c. cash, on private terms; 1,700 City Slaughter, 60

The New-York Times.

NEW-YORK, MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 1864.

Amusements this Evening.

WALLACK'S—Rosedale.

WINTER GARDEN—The Ticket-of-Leave Man.

OLYMPIC THEATRE—Marinka: Or, The Untamed Bohemian Horse.

NIBLO'S GARDEN—Connie Soggan: or, The Jolly Pedler.

PARK THEATRE—(Brooklyn)—Bohemian Girl.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

THE REBELLION.

The news from Chattanooga is encouraging. Trains are now running regularly between that place and Nashville. The arrival of supplies is large, and full rations are again issued to the troops. A large number of recruits are constantly arriving, sufficient to balance the number of veterans going home. The desertions from the rebel army are very numerous, 150 deserting at one time on Monday last. The rebel army at Dalton is reported to be 30,000 strong, and so reduced in supplies that they are killing their best mules for supplies of meat. Gen. GRANT arrived at Chattanooga yesterday morning.

The statement published in the TIMES of the 14th inst., that LONGSTREET had been heavily reinforced from the armies of JOHNSTON and LEE, seems to be corroborated. The Cincinnati *Dispatch* says, upon the authority of Capt. BEEN, a staff officer, who left Knoxville on the 14th inst., that not only had LONGSTREET been reinforced, but he was advancing upon the city, pushing GRANGER's forces before him, and it was believed that our army would be compelled to fall back to its intrenched lines. The same authority says that a rumor was current that JOHN MORGAN with 5,000 cavalry was threatening our communications between Chattanooga and Knoxville.

Washington dispatches say that the order assigning Gen. ROSECRANS to the command of the Department of the Missouri, and Gen. SCHOFIELD of the Army under Gen. GRANT, has been made out.

The U. S. Hospital Transport *Cosmopolitan*, from Port Royal on the evening of the 21st, with 223 sick and wounded soldiers from Gen. GILLMORE's Department, arrived at this port yesterday. Our correspondent writes that the bombardment of Charleston is steadily continued, with the effect of causing frequent fires and the gradual crumbling away of the houses within range of our guns. There is little firing on the part of the rebels, who seem averse to expending their ammunition. The work of raising the sunken frigates *Keokuk* and *Weehawken* was in progress, but with slight results, as the immense mass of metal in the hulls and guns requires machinery of extraordinary strength to move it. The sale of confiscated lands for the payment of direct taxes had commenced at Port Royal, and the bidding was spirited. The contrabands were foremost in the purchases.

A despatch from Cairo says that enlistments were taking place rapidly among the Western armies. Twenty thousand of the Seventeenth Army Corps have already reenlisted, and it is reported that nearly all of the Sixteenth intend to remain in service.

Letters received in this City from Port Hudson under date of Jan. 12 and 13, pronounce false all reports as to the effect that captured officers from Gen. ULLMANN's division of colored troops had been shot. The fate of somebody is unknown. The rest are either in Libby Prison, or at a rebel rendezvous in Texas. The rebels in the vicinity of Port Hudson and Baton Rouge are becoming quite bold, and their pickets have come close to camp. An expedition was sent out by Gen. ULLMANN and Capt. [illegible] to endeavor to cut off a force of 2,000 rebels who were making a stand about fifteen miles east of Port Hudson.

FROM EUROPE.

The steamship *Etna*, from Liverpool on the 5th and Queenstown on the 7th of January, arrived at this port yesterday. Her news is two days later than that telegraphed from St. Johns, N. F., brought by the *Columbia*. The journals contain nothing striking concerning American affairs, with the exception of the London *Times*, which, in a characteristic article, endeavors to show that the Federal successes have been no successes at all, and consequently the war is apparently as little near the ending as ever. The Birmingham *Post* says that Mr. BURNEY was directly instrumental in getting from Washington a mitigation of the sentence of the pirate BURGEY, who was convicted at San Francisco. The Schleswig-Holstein question continued to be exciting, and there were increased apprehensions of an outbreak. On the afternoon of the dev. the steamer left Queenstown, however, the telegrams from Germany were less unfavorable, and a report had gained currency that not only the proposals for conference had been agreed to by France and England, but there is reason to believe they will be accepted by the German Powers. The King of Denmark, who has been visiting the divisions of his troops, had issued an address to his army, and had ordered 14,000 men of the reserve to be called out. The text of the address of the Duke Augustenburg, of Germany, in reply to the speech from the throne, was read on the 4th. The unpopularity of the Western expedition is attested by the report of the Parliamentary Credits Committee, which [illegible] the hope that an end should be put to the matter as soon as the Alabama and Florida are captured. The chances are, however, that on the contrary will continue to be [illegible] England, in rather a considerable war, than King GEORGE of Greece, who seems have been lying on a bed of roses since he went to Athens, is said by the *Dutch Daily News* to have quitted his adopted country in bitter despair at the confusion that prevails.

GENERAL NEWS.

It is reported that Gen. FOSTER has asked to be relieved on account of his health.

The price of Gold fell off to $1.56½ on Saturday. Money was in better supply to the brokers. The Railway speculation left off weaker than on Friday. The Popular 5-20 years' Stock went up to 104@104¼ per cent.

Condition of the South.

Toward the conclusion of every war there are indications which announce the ability of a nation to carry on hostilities with the force of positive demonstration; and no concealment of facts, or falsification of events in official documents, can hide the condition of a country thus circumstanced. Everything from the South indicates a speedy termination of the rebellion. The population is exhausted by a war that has not accomplished a single object for which it was commenced. Everywhere its armies have been driven back by the steady advance of the Federal forces. They have lost the Mississippi, and the States of Missouri, Arkansas, Kentucky, Tennessee, and a large portion of Virginia and Louisiana. Their armies are everywhere on the defensive. The people are suffering for the necessaries of life; their ports are blockaded, their currency worthless, and the population insufficient even for the purposes of a defensive war. Above all, the spirits of the soldiers are no longer hopeful. The people are beginning to grumble. Not long since Gen. MACGOWAN advised his men to hang every one who hinted that "this was a poor man's war for the rich man's benefit." The message of JEFFERSON DAVIS to his rebel Congress, and the reports of his Cabinet officers, admit, by their despondency of tone, and the desperate measures they advise, the hopelessness of their situation.

The late movement of Gen. MEADE beyond the Rapidan revealed a state of things that few in our army previously believed. About the only article of food found on the bodies of the rebels killed during that advance, was unground corn. The farmers everywhere through our line of march complained of the prospects of starvation. It was impossible for them to plow, as nearly all the animals used for purposes of agriculture had been taken for the use of the rebel army, and the few that remained were carried off by our cavalry. The rebel soldiers on picket no longer exhibit signs of vindictiveness, and talk freely with ours on the origin and conduct of the war, and desire peace. The prisoners in most instances appear pleased at their capture; they speak of their miserable rations. After a battle the majority of letters found on the rebel dead are from wives or mothers, complaining of destitution and the unkindness of neighbors. In the general conscription between the ages of eighteen and forty-five, multitudes of married men were seized—hence the wholesale desertions that have taken place.

For want of numbers, they have never been able to follow up a success; hence, none of their victories have been decisive. After the first battle of Bull Run, they did not advance beyond Munson's Hill. After the seven days' fight, they were repulsed at the Malvern Hills, and did not dare follow up MCCLELLAN to Turkey Bend. After the first day's success at Shiloh, they were defeated and driven back to Corinth. After Slaughter Mountain, JACKSON immediately retreated to Orange Court-house. After the second battle of Bull Run, they made no pursuit, and, hazarding a flank movement, were defeated at Chantilly. When they entered Maryland, they expected to take Baltimore, but were forced to recross the Potomac after Antietam. After Fredericksburg, they made no attempt to prevent BURNSIDE from recrossing the Rappahannock. At Chancellorsville, exhausted and decimated, they had not the ability to follow HOOKER when he fell back. Their temporary success on the first and second days at Gettysburgh was followed by a slaughter as fearful as at Waterloo. Hurled back from Baton Rouge, defeated at Corinth and repulsed at Murfreesboro, they gathered all the forces they could from every quarter, even to the taking away of one-third of LEE's army, and hurled all their available strength on ROSECRANS at Chattanooga. Exhausted by victory, they could not reap its fruits, and were soon after driven out of Tennessee with slaughter and disaster by GRANT and HOOKER. A few months since Gen. LEE attempted, by a flank movement, to attack a part of the Army of the Potomac. MEADE fell back from Culpepper, to the heights of Centreville, and at Bristoe repulsed, in the most gallant way, the corps of A. P. HILL. A day or two after, LEE fell back, losing a brigade at Rappahannock Station, and a part of another one near Kelley's Ford. In every instance their successes have been followed by disasters, and their victories by exhaustion. Like the stone of Sysiphus, they only move forward to be driven back twice as far.

Repeated conscriptions have filled to all the chasms in their ranks; and now the last desperate recourse left JEFFERSON DAVIS is a levy *en masse*. He gravely proposes, after sweeping the whole population into his butternut ranks, to detail soldiers to carry on the necessary manufacturing and professional duties of society. But if the conscription fails, what then? A levy *en masse* cannot occur but once in a generation, and unless it accomplished its object, the country resorting to it is lost. NAPOLEON tried it after Leipsic, and failed. ROSENZWEIGH had better success. And Mr. DAVIS tries to do, after nearly three years of exhausting war, what the French National Assembly barely accomplished at the commencement of an invasion, at a period of national frenzy, and which even then required to be backed by the guillotine, a reign of terror and a sea of blood. It is not improbable that his conscription may increase one-half his ragged and half-famished regiments; and then he will throw them in a wild and convulsive effort, on our bayonets. Against this final effort, every sacrifice must be made. A respite to him will then be ruin, an undecisive battle is defeat, and a defeat the annihilation of the rebellion.

On our side everything looks cheering. So confident are our soldiers of success, that veterans are reenlisting by regiments. By recruiting and conscription the army will be augmented by 300,000 in the Spring. But if it is only augmented half that number, and 75,000 men are added to MEADE's command, and as many to GRANT's, the former will then have more men in that addition alone than he had when he drove LEE from Gettysburgh, and the latter when he drove BRAGG from Tennessee.

Where Will the Rebellion Leave Us?

There are many who still doubt the possibility of a restoration to union and quiet, even after the rebellion is subdued. A "subjugated" people, they say, can never be relied on. A glance at our revolutionary history may be the best thing to reassure us, though, in fact, all history abounds with instances of great disaffection turning to order, and the spirit of rebellion forever vanishing, under the reign of just law.

SABINE says it is a very moderate computation to place the number of Tories in the Colonies who in arms aided the British troops against the Whigs, at twenty thousand. Thus a very large share of the available fighting men of the Colonies was arrayed against them. Indeed, in 1779, the loyalists in London, in a public address, claimed that they had put more men in arms against the Whigs than Congress had enlisted in its cause. It was generally believed by them, to the last, that the royal cause would conquer in the end, and almost every cotemporary statement put their number in advance of the Whigs. Events proved the reverse; and the sequel of the present rebellion may convince many now doubtful that the South, within the rebel lines, though apparently united against the Union, will, when the rebel pressure is raised, show a preponderance the other way.

We know that the rebel newspapers make a great deal of clamor about the general determination of the Southern people never to live peacefully in the Union again. But all this sort of clamor amounts to nothing. In the Carolinas and in Pennsylvania, the Whigs and the Tories went through the Revolutionary War nearly equally divided, till, with Northern support, the Whigs triumphed; and yet history shows us that the "subjugated" Tories fell easily into the new order of things at the peace. Indeed, in South Carolina, the ancestors of the present fire-eaters showed a perfect readiness to change front according as they were beaten. When Gen. LINCOLN was forced to surrender Charleston, one might judge from their addresses to the English Commander, that it gave them great pleasure to return to their colonial relations. Again, when GREENE brought his New-Englanders and regained the State, they quite as readily hailed their redeliverance from English power. In Georgia, the Whigs were forced to retire at the commencement of the struggle, or maintain absolute inaction and silence. The British held the State for the whole seven years of the war, and when it was given up, in 1782, the royalist administration was complete throughout it. Yet the reviving whiggery of the State had no difficulty in making it a true and loyal part of the Confederation.

In New-York the case was still more striking. The Loyalists here, throughout the struggle, were numerically the stronger party, and to the end of the war this City was held as the enemy's headquarters. Yet the State merged into the homogeneousness of the new nation without the slightest difficulty. The Tories were at once conciliated by a general amnesty, recalling the banished and lifting confiscations.

The conquering power in civil war always gains a people's submission by a wise and clement policy, and easily retains it. There is no civil war that may not be terminated without rancorous sequels. The overthrow of rebel armies does not at all interfere with the restoration of good fellowship among the people. It is not at all improbable that South Carolina herself, instead of being as she once was, a perpetual thorn in the side of the Union, will become one of its staunchest supporters.

State Prison Reform.

We hope the Legislature will not, in the multitude of matters that demand its attention, overlook the subject of reform in the management of our State Prisons. It may not be feasible to adopt at once such a comprehensive system of reformation as the actual condition of these institutions requires, but in very many respects minor changes can be made that will be of very great importance. The whole subject of prison discipline and management needs a thorough revision. We are by no means certain that the steps taken by Government for the punishment of crime do not really increase it—there seems to be such an utter disregard of the elements and conditions that enter into this most complicated social problem. But if is not likely that we shall very soon have Legislatures made up of social philosophers or, what would be still better, of men competent and disposed to understand and apply the truths set forth by such philosophers, to the practical conduct of public affairs.

But there are matters of detail that certainly should command attention. One was referred to by Gov. SEYMOUR in his Message. He urged that convicts should be permitted to shorten their term of punishment by good behavior. It has been already adopted in part, and has worked so well that he recommends its extension. Another reform, of still greater importance in our judgment, is that which would enable a convict to aid by his labor in the support of his family. No one who knows anything of human nature can fail to see that, in every day life one of the strongest incentives to industry and to virtue is the duty and the privilege of working for wife and children. Many a man, who would be a reckless vagabond if he had nobody to care for, is kept sober and industrious, or at any rate free from crime, by the feeling that others depend upon him for their daily bread. And the more helpless they are, the stronger is the hold upon him thus created. The same feeling exerts a powerful influence in the reformation of personal character. But under our present system, the State begins its task of reforming a criminal by taking away from him this most powerful of all incentives to reformation. He is separated from his family. Nothing that he can earn can be of any service to them. He is compelled to work, but nothing that he may do can be of the slightest advantage to them. They may starve while he is earning enough to support them. The State has reduced *them* to poverty and wretchedness, while it takes his earnings for its own use. Is there in this anything that can possibly tend to reform any man of ordinary human feelings? Is it not certain to embitter him,—to impress him with a sense of wrong toward the innocent, which cannot fail to make him more than ever the enemy of the State and of the law?

There are many other reasons that might be urged in favor of this reform. Now it happens constantly that the families of convicts are thrown, by their imprisonment, upon the counties in which they live for support. This is a burden which should be borne by the whole State, and not by any small portion of it. It is urged, we know, that the State Prisons should be self-supporting, and that in order to be so, the State must have all the earnings of the prisoners. It is very well, doubtless, to make them self-supporting if it can be done without sacrificing higher and more important objects. But it is not worth while to sacrifice the very objects for which prisons are established, in order to make them support themselves.

There is another point worthy of attention. An able article on this subject in the *National Review* mentions as a curious fact that convicts, however they may have been employed, are always emaciated and in bad health when they come out. Does not their *diet* sufficiently account for this? Is it possible for men, in prison or out, to grow stout and healthy on the food of a State Prison? Convicts, certainly, ought not to live in luxury. But it is no part of punishment proper for a prisoner to feed him so as to injure his health. This matter of State Prison diet, it seems to us, is worthy of some attention.

The Armament of the Monitors.

The "statement" which we published a few days ago in reply to our query as to the armament of the monitors, leaves that query still equally pointed and pertinent, while at the same time it contains some assertions not at all reconcilable with the received opinions as to the superiority of rifled ordnance over the smooth-bore gun for distant firing. We would premise, however, that it neither was nor is our intention to dogmatise as to the absolute value of the 15-inch smooth-bore as compared with the 8-inch rifle. Each has beyond a doubt qualities that render it more effective for special work than the other. Nor do we claim that either type of gun should be used in the armament of the monitors to the exclusion of the other. In fact, what we have complained of, and still complain of, is that the bureau of ordnance and construction is doing this very thing, as in the case of several of the new monitors confining their armament to the 15-inch smooth-bore, in face of the demonstrated superiority of the heavy rifle for the kind of work which the iron-clads are intended to perform in Charleston harbor.

The statement admits that "the peculiar property of the rifled gun is great range at high elevations, with, perhaps, greater accuracy than the smooth bore." Now, it seems to us that this "peculiar property" is *an important essential in a siege or breaching gun.* We presume, further, that this "great range" is due to the high velocity of the projectile. But to the "statement" again: "In a word, range at high elevations and the ability to cut away *masonry* and *brickwork* is the peculiar forte of the 8-inch rifled projectile." We are obliged to the author of the statement for the admissions made in the paragraphs quoted, for in them lies the gist of our query. It has been generally believed that the monitors were sent to Charleston, to "cut away" *masonry* and *brick work*, but if they have failed to accomplish their purpose, it must be because they are without the guns whose "peculiar property," it is acknowledged, is their "ability" to do this very work. If there be any one skeptical on the subject, we beg to refer him to the operations of Gen. GILLMORE, who, at a fabulous range, destroyed Fort Sumter, while the monitors, at less than a thousand yards, did the fort no appreciable injury in April. If the fifteen-inch gun had *length* and *weight*, bearing due proportion to its calibre, and therefore sufficient to allow of its safely burning a charge of powder equal to the work expected of the gun, no one could deny its terribly destructive powers; but it would appear that the monitors *have not yet been able to get within the good effective range of this feeble thunderer.*

The opinion advanced, that if the "*Merrimacks* had used an 8-inch rifled gun, the *Atlanta* would not have been a prize,? we must receive as a mere "*ex cathedra*" assertion, which will have little weight with those who have studied the effects of rifled ordnance. The writer of the statement loses sight of the fact that the penetrative powers of projectiles are dependent on their velocities. It is a further mistake to assert that the 8-inch rifle, with its small muzzle, can receive no greater elevation for the interests of the monitors than the huge 15-inch gun—a mistake the less pardonable in a document claiming a semi-official authorship. Finally, the limited velocity of the 15-inch gun, confined to three hundred rounds, with [illegible] pounds of powder per charge,) must always be a prodigious objection to this gun. We, for example, we do not cease to think that the [illegible] world pronounced on the relative merits of the two guns in the case of the *Patapsco*, (which has used its 8-inch rifle *twelve* times for every single time it has used its 15-inch smooth bore,) is of sufficient weight and significance to authorize at least *one* rifle in the armament of each monitor.

OUR NAVAL AFFAIRS—SPEED AND THE NAVY DEPARTMENT.—We publish in another column a second letter from Mr. E. A. RUTHERFORD, who seems to be in this City as Chief Engineer of the Navy Department in carrying on its controversy with Mr. E. K. DIDRIKSON. He certainly exhibits, in his peculiar sphere, what is greatly to be desired in every branch of the service, activity and zeal. In knowledge, courtesy and patriotic disinterestedness, he probably represents with sufficient accuracy the department he is seeking to serve.

We are obliged to Mr. RUTHERFORD for the lecture he reads us for publishing Mr. DIDRIKSON's letter. It seems that for so doing we are "judged very harshly by professional engineers." Nothing is more likely or more harmless. We shall continue to deserve their dislike. Whatever may happen to us as a result of this controversy, we are confident that it will render the public an unmeaning service. We may be able to find out what sort of men are intrusted with the creation of a navy for the United States; what amount of scientific ability and skill they bring to the task; how willing they are to avail themselves of the improvements of the age; and what high-toned motives control their conduct of public affairs. As some two or three hundred millions of dollars are to be expended under their supreme direction, this knowledge cannot be without interest.

Mr. RUTHERFORD seems to have been sent to this city by the department for a two-fold purpose. His first object is to convince the world that our vessels of war are really, in spite of appearances, *fast*; and to accomplish this object he has picked out one of them, the *Furious*, and proposes a race between her and some other vessel. We do not know that a victory won by the *Furious* would establish the character of our navy, though possibly it might. If it would, we fervently hope she will be victorious. Mr. RUTHERFORD's second object seems to be the demolition of Mr. DIDRIKSON. This may be more important to the Navy Department than it is to the world at large; but if it is to be accomplished, Mr. R. must resort to other means and appliances than the publication of private conversations.

We know very little of the merits of this controversy, and shall content ourselves, for the present at least, with allowing the belligerents to fight it out among themselves. Whether he is an engineer or not, Mr. DIDRIKSON seems to be quite competent to take care of himself in the matter, and the Navy Department certainly does not need our assistance. We trust, therefore, that the contest will continue until something decisive shall be established by it.

THE LONDON TIMES AND FEDERAL AFFAIRS.—In an article printed Jan. 5, the London *Times* sets forth, in its best style of Pro-Slavery grumbling, the alleged facts which convince it that the war is apparently interminable, and that the situation of affairs at the close of 1863 proves that no progress at all is made toward its conclusion. "It is evident," remarks the seer, "that the Federal possession of Eastern Tennessee, even if it can be maintained, will not bring the war nearer to a conclusion." The Richmond papers are of a different opinion, as is Mr. JEFFERSON DAVIS. These think East Tennessee the key to the whole military position, because they know it admits the holder into any one of their remaining States, unless they can keep the door shut by sheer superiority of force. "The blockade of the Southern coast," omits this rheumatic Giant Grim of the press, "does not deprive the people of an ample supply of imported articles." Here, again, the Richmond prices current tell a very different story. 'Tis distance lends enchantment to the view. Those who live inside of the celebrated Southern Confederacy are of opinion that imported articles are most awkwardly scarce. Mr. DAVIS, for instance, in his last message, intimates that Wilmington is the only port left open at all, and that that is in danger of being closed. "Goods to the value of a million dollars arrive in Wilmington every four-and-twenty hours," avers the dissatisfied London giant. Of a million rebel dollars possibly. These are worth, delivered in New-York, from six to eight cents a pound avoirdupois to work over. But surely the *Times* is moderate. Why does it not repeat the last rebel report on this side that steamers were running into Wilmington twenty-three in one night? Why strain at a gnat? But most awful of all is the final groan of the *Times* over the expense at which "abolition" is prosecuted. These are its words:

"From Mr. LINCOLN'S Message to Congress, it appears that the total number of slaves the Federal armies have liberated is 100,000. This is the whole result of three years of war in the name of Abolition, and at an awful price it has been obtained. For every negro thus freed, it is calculated that three white men have been killed in the contest. If the lost millions of blacks are only to be emancipated at the same rate, the calculation becomes something terrible, and the feelings of humanity will be exercised in its behalf of the superior race. The worst evil that has grown out of the system of Slavery is the war carried on to extinguish it."

Observe the air of sincere regret which pervades these rare perversions of truth and lamentations over the perils of Slavery. Mr. LINCOLN'S message shows no such statement as that which the *Times* makes out. But Mr. LINCOLN did say that 100,000 liberated blacks had entered the military service of the United States. We used to read something like this line of argument in the Opposition journals of this City, but they seldom indulge in such kind of stuff now. Scarcely anybody is left, North or South, loyal or disloyal, who does not concede, that with barely reasonable good management, the next Spring or Summer must end the heavy fighting. This talk about the invincibility of the rebels is over, on this side of the water, and the London *Times* is reduced to the melancholy necessity of mumbling over again the worn-out lies which the Sheetlers on this side have exhausted and ejected.

AMUSEMENTS.

The HARRISON English Opera Company is meeting with the most encouraging success. Its continuance is placed beyond paradventure by a steady prosperity that leaves nothing but a larger house to be desired. The performance at Niblo's Saloon on Thursday evening, was attended by a really brilliant audience, sufficient in every way to intimate that the "Bohemian Girl" is yet an attractive opera with the musical public. On the following night, at the Park Theatre, when WALLACK's "Maritana" was given, the house was densely crowded, and hundreds were unable to gain admission. In the latter work an exceedingly interesting debut was made by Miss HYNES in the part of Lazarillo. We place the fact on record, and shall await a more fitting opportunity of speaking more fully of the young lady's merits. For the present, we shall not have the Harrison English opera company in this City, Niblo's Saloon is unfortunately engaged for the remainder of the month. Early in February, however, we are promised a series of entertainments of the highest interest. In the meantime, our Brooklyn friends have a monopoly of English opera. Tonight the "Bohemian Girl" will be given by particular request. The performance of this work is now exceedingly smooth and creditable. The leading voices leave nothing to be desired, and the chorus is excellent. Wallet on the subject of the Park Theatre, we may mention that Miss MARY SHAW takes her benefit on Tuesday (to-morrow) evening, being assisted by her sister, Mrs. HOEY, of Wallack's Theatre. The announcement will undoubtedly fill the theatre in its greatest capacity.

Brooklyn also monopolizes our other musical establishment—the German opera—opening us but a single night on Wednesday. Two performances will be given during this week, and two next at the Montague-street establishment. A delightful and admirably rendered opera is announced for to-night—"La Dame Blanche" by BOIELDIEU. It was one of the most genuine successes of the past season, and is so melodious and entertaining that our neighbors would do well to start upon it heartily as a necessary preparation for the Duke Humphrey's dinner of Wagner, called the "Tannhauser." We hear with much satisfaction that Mr. ANSCHUTZ will resume the baton tonight. He has been seriously indisposed, and in welcoming him back to his desk, we mean no disrespect to that admirable musician Mr. CARL BERGMANN, who at a moment's notice has done so well and in a way saved the enterprise from absolute ruin. The Wednesday's performance at our Academy, in which we have offered, will introduce us to MOZART's famous opera, the "Merry Wives of Windsor." Mr. HERMANN, has new and excellent bass, assuming his famous role of *Falstaff*.

A grand Charity Concert, in aid of the Fund of the Ladies' Benevolent Society of St. Ann's Church for Deaf Mutes, will take place at Irving Hall on Wednesday next. Mme. D'Angri, Miss Jennie Van Zandt, Miss Jennie E. Moss, Mesdm. Henrietta Horn, Mr. Russell Glover, Signor Mozzoferri, Signor Costanzi, Mr. Louis Schreiner and Signor Abella will assist in the musical part of the programme. An "Ode to Charity" will also be recited by Mr. J. A. Graham, the author.

The second series of Chamber Music takes place to-morrow evening at Dodworth's Saloon, under the auspices of Messrs. Mason, Thomas, Hoschna, Matzka and Berger. The programme is as follows: 1. Quartetto, B flat major, by Haydn. 2. Sonata, piano and violin, (A minor, opus 105,) by Schumann. 3. Quartetto, B flat major, opus 127, by Beethoven.

The Oratorio of "Moses in Egypt" will be given by Mr. BOSSE, in the Hall of St. Francis Xavier's College, Sixteenth-street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, on Thursday evening, Jan. 28. The voices are by Mrs. Chas. H. Coxson, Mr. Gustav Satzenhof and Mr. J. R. THOMAS. The chorus will number upward of sixty voices, and the proceeds of the entertainment will be given to the Lavery Fund of the College.

Mr. J. G. SAXE will read his humorous and patriotic poem called "Love," at Niblo's Saloon, on Wednesday evening next.

The German Liederkranz of New-York will give its annual Fancy Dress ball at the City Assembly Rooms, on Wednesday evening, the 24 of February. In order to prevent overcrowding, the price of tickets has been increased to five dollars. A list of the Committee will be found in our advertising columns, from whom the necessary documents can be obtained.

The announcements of the various theatres this week do not promise anything in the way of novelty—a sufficient proof that business is good. They are: At Wallack's, "Rosedale," for the eighty-second time; (the part hitherto played by Miss GARNER is now played by Miss IDA BURKE, the first-named lady being, we are sorry to say, exceedingly unwell;) at the Winter Garden, Mr. and Mrs. FOSTER in the "Ticket-of-Leave Man;" at the Olympic, "A Doll in a China Shop" and "Marinka;" at Niblo's Garden, the "Connie Soggan;" at Niblo's Saloon, (to-morrow evening,) "Les Effrontes;" at Barnum's, "Camille's Husband." By the way, Mr. BARNUM delivers a lecture at the Cooper Institute on Wednesday evening, in aid of the "Sanitary Commission and Freedman's Society. The subject is *The Art of Money Getting*, and it will be illustrated by "four enormous Giants, the Madagascar Albino Family, the Tyrolean Whistler, the Lightning Calculator, the Living What is It? and Rosa Zanze, the performer on the Bumpitrahs."

The Stereoscopticon at Hope Chapel is one of the best exhibitions of its kind in the world. It will repay a visit.

BARNUM'S AMERICAN MUSEUM.—A new drama, "Camille's Husband," is brought out to-day at Barnum's Museum. It will doubtless, have a good run. In the curiosity department some important additions in the person of the great Arabian giant, the largest and finest man living. This makes four giants—a sight never before seen in New-York. Barnum's announcement sets forth a host of interesting features.

BROADWAY AMPHITHEATRE.—This establishment fully maintains its hold upon public favor, and has become a highly popular resort for families. The entertainments presented are of a character calculated to commend them to refined patronage, and include every variety of equestrian and acrobatic feats. The almost impossibilities of Mark Twain, the extraordinary gymnastic exploits of the Alcazia Brothers, and the other favorite impersonations for the present week with continue attract full houses both day and evening. The afternoon entertainments which are given every afternoon, afford the best opportunities for giving the little people a view of the wonders of the scene.

THE THREE PREMEDITATORS CONCERT (BROOKLYN).—This concert happens on Saturday night at the Academy of Music, and was necessarily postponed by artistically desirous, and domestically prudent. The orchestral programme was formidably increased in the name of music appropriate to the present generation, and was interrupted with great feeling by the large audience under the skillful conduct of Mr. BERGER. The lively part Mozart's Symphony No. 4, in G, Andante of Pierne Symphonique, Tyrolese by Bauer, and Gauvy's Seventh overture, "In the Highlands," Mrs. JEROME VAN SANTEN and Mr. [illegible] were the vocalists, while P. Rita, of the orchestra, assisted the Ancient Mariner, and played with great acceptability on the "loud instrument." The gem of the evening was the "Forest Princess." The sombre lament and the brilliant triumph are so thoroughly and artistically expressed in the composition that it well deserves the title, the composition that it well deserves the title, "Lamento e Trionfo." Bro. VAN SANTEN, a native of Brooklyn, has a voice of great purity, which is cultivated and careful culture has attained a power and touch of remarkable merit. Her success is brilliant, and although the selections were not so popular as they might be, they should be more generally sung, for a good, gratifying time was delivered. Signor CONSTANZI, an artist of whom we have too little, sang the "Non Più Andrai," and a duet with Mrs. VAN SANTEN, "Dunque Amore," which was encored, and after an early request had to be repeated. This was, on the 8th of February, the benefit of the Sanitary Fair on the 8th of February.

THE SANITARY FAIR.—The Sanitary Fair was [illegible] last night. The work, received was [illegible] [illegible] of the occasion and of the benevolent [illegible]

FROM ALBANY.

The Sphinx of the Legislature—Gov. Seymour's Message Reviewed—The Greenbush Water Cost Railroad—General Gossip.

Correspondence of the New-York Times:

ALBANY, Saturday, Jan. 23, 1864.

It is becoming every day more apparent that what has been hinted by correspondents the amicability of the present Legislature by no means indicates tractability on their part, or kindness to deal energetically with the important matters before them. The quiet which prevails evinces cool determination and not indifference. The Sphinx of the Legislature whose loyalty is questioned perceive that this is the case, and would undoubtedly like to make the current session a stormy one. The excitement which some of them represent as imminent, if not dangerous, so far as yet appears, will be limited to their own circle.

The aims and purposes of Union men are carried forward without bluster. The Republicans of the two Houses held a joint conference or caucus in the Assembly Chamber last evening, with closed doors. This, of course, was the business of the caucus, and each of the majority of the opposition.

The Union voters of the Republicans in supporting disloyalty, spoke as it has been made public, consistent in a review of the Governor's Annual Message. In the Assembly, the duty of reviewing it devolved upon Mr. Rathbone, of St. Lawrence, who was listened to on Wednesday evening by a large audience, and with close attention. On Thursday evening, Senator Havens of Rensselaer, took up and continued the review in the Senate. Though mild in manner, his criticism was considerably severe. These two have been the only representatives of the session, but new members of the Assembly are beginning to take part in debate, and the opposing wheel of the House does not to be seen in active exercise. A debate or discussion which occurred yesterday in relation to making provision for the benefit of invalids returning to this State from United States service, was spirited, and called up several who have not before taken part in discussion. As far as an expression of sentiment is concerned, the soldiers will have nothing to complain of.

This morning a member of Congress came to the House were vacant. Mr. McCarty, of Albany, moved a call of the House, but the House refused to order it. Numerous applications for leave of absence for absent members were then granted, until the House refused to grant any. Several attempts were made to adjourn over until Tuesday of next week. The Speaker ruled that such resolutions giving rise to debate must be upon the table under the rule. The regular business of business then proceeded without further debate. Mr. Sammons, of New-York, introduced a bill authorizing the construction of a railroad through Grand-street and other streets of New-York. He then for passenger and in cars drawn by horses. The description of the route contained in the bill is as follows:

Beginning at the eastern extremity of Grand-street, thence through and along Grand-street with a double track to Water-street, thence through and along Water-street with a double track to Grand-street, thence through and along Grand-street with a single track to Bedford-street, thence through and along Bedford-street with a double track to Water-street, thence through and along Water-street with a single track to Grand-street, thence with a double track to the Wallabout, thence through and along Washington-street to Waverley, thence through and along Waverley with a single track to the intersection of Washington-street.

The Committee on the Judiciary reported that the bill against the Legislature may pass a law to vote in the Union ticket, relative to interest in bonds to allow without publishing notice thereof, in new regulated by statute.

Mr. Beardsley, of Oneida, presented a plan, in the form of a resolution, for adjusting the accounts and claims public, year by year, against the State, but not for the most part allowed by the Legislature, after a preamble, in which is set forth the financial ability which the State assumes in acting as a private corporation, and then giving just provision for claims which should be adjudicated, the resolutions read:

Resolved, That the Committee on the Judiciary be instructed to report a bill introducing the following general provisions: *First*, the claimant to be allowed to commence proceedings against the State by filing a statement with the Supreme Court Justice of the district in which the claim arose, the statement to be verified by his own affidavit and the affidavit of at least two responsible freeholders of the State of town in which the claim may have originated, and by giving bond for costs of investigation if he thinks he made no in his favor. *Second*, Giving the Supreme Court Justice, jurisdiction with power to appoint a referee (retired referee may be the Court Appraiser,) to investigate and report the evidence to the Court or report an award upon evidence, as the Court may direct. *Third*, The decision on each and every claim to be final subject, however, to an appeal to the Court above. *Fourth*, Such further provisions as may be necessary in the opinion of the Committee to carry out the above general principles.

After further efforts to adjourn over until Tuesday, all of which failed, by the strict rendering of the rule twisted and turned in all directions, (requiring such resolutions to lie on the table for the day) the House finally adjourned at about eight to 11 o'clock A. M. on Monday.

FROM WESTERN VIRGINIA.

Capture of a Rebel Mail—Views of the Amnesty Proclamation—Reflections in Rebeldom.

HEADQUARTERS, WEST VIRGINIA, Jan. 20, 1864.

We have captured a rebel mail. The secrets of the mail bag are curious, interesting, and, in one or two instances, highly important.

Almost all of the papers contain remarks on the President's Amnesty Proclamation.

The prevailing sentiment in rebeldom, the disaffected views of the officers of the Army, the complaints of the soldiers, the manner in which rebel officers high in position are spoken of, &c., all serve in very many respects, to confirm the reports in circulation in the Northern papers regarding the condition of the Confederacy.

One lady, in writing to another, says: "Your descriptions of the President pains me. I had hopes for better things. If is true we are desponding; but our hope for the future is still strong." This woman admits being a heavy property holder.

The writer of another very pitiful letter, put the common goods are scarce in Richmond, condition for heavy drains the country.

Several prominent officers and rebel officers, one of them a widely-known ex-foreign minister, are spending in some within our lines under the President's Amnesty Proclamation.

Arrest of an Officer for Fraud.

RICHMOND, Sunday, Jan. 24.

Col. Frank W. Ruffin, of the First Confederate Cavalry, was recently Provost-Marshal of Baltimore, was arrested today by order of the Secretary of War, on charge of fraud and corruption.

From San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Saturday, Jan. 23.

Sailed, steamer *Golden City*, for Panama, with $1,000,000 in specie for England and $400,000 for New-York, and about fifty passengers.

Shipping Intelligence.

SAN FRANCISCO, Saturday, Jan. 23.

There have been signs of the Comet. The weather is thick and rainy, with indications of rain.

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POLITICAL.

UNION GENERAL COMMITTEE.

An adjourned meeting of the Union General Committee will be held on TUESDAY EVENING next, 26th inst., at 7 o'clock, at their Headquarters, No. 806 Broadway. Punctual attendance requested.

RUFUS F. ANDREWS, President.
HARVEY H. WEEDS, } Secretaries.
WILLIAM W. LAND, }

FIRST WARD UNION ASSOCIATION.

A special meeting of the First Ward Union Association will be held on THURSDAY EVENING, Jan. 28, 1864, at 7 o'clock, at No. 32 Greenwich-st. All members are respectfully requested to attend.

D. H. FRINTUP, President.
FRANK JORDAN, Secretary.

AT A SPECIAL MEETING of the UNION Central Committee of the City and County of New-York, held at headquarters, corner of Broadway and 20th-st., January 23, 1864, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, The time has come when the approaching Presidential election should receive the attention of the country;

And Whereas, Spontaneous movements of the people have already indicated the popular choice;

And whereas, These movements, originating in gratitude and patriotism, have arisen simultaneously in each remote States as New-Hampshire and California, as Indiana and Pennsylvania, and now await only a formal expression in New-York; therefore

Resolved, That we, delegates to the Regular Union Central Committee of the metropolis of the country, freshly chosen in this representative organization by the loyal electors of our respective districts, we do but give utterance to the will of our constituents when we declare that the cause of American nationality and of constitutional liberty demands the re-election of Mr. LINCOLN.

Resolved, That the regular current which carried ABRAHAM JACKSON into election first was not, at the same relative period, more resistless than that which now sustains and bears onward our eminent President and his cause; it was strangely in keeping with political events that the nation should unanimous will of the people.

Resolved, That the unbounded popularity of ABRAHAM LINCOLN, both with the loyal citizens and the brave soldiers of the Republic, attests the public recognition of his unquestioned honesty, his unselfish patriotism, and his transcendent sagacity. Observing where others have wavered, serious when others have gloried, thoughtful when others were precipitate, and prompt onward when others have halted—he has labored for the Nation's life, until his countrymen have hailed him as a benefactor.

Resolved, That the reelection of ABRAHAM LINCOLN and the extension of his constitutional sway over the revolted States, (extinguishing the hope of traitors at home and sympathy abroad,) will further, above all, the stability of our Union Government and the justice of the American people.

Resolved, That the National Committee be requested to take early action in calling a National Convention for the nomination of a candidate for President and Vice-President.

WILLIAM A. DARLING, President.
HENRY H. BURLAS, } Secretaries.
CHARLES M. HALL, }

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The Fairs that have been got up with such admirable zeal, have yielded large sums, and have, at Chicago, Cincinnati and Boston, though reported everywhere as "for the benefit of the Sanitary Commission," have not as yet contributed a dollar to its treasury. The large sums thus raised have been received by the branches of the Commission at those cities respectively.

These branches apply the money, usually, mainly in the purchase of material to be made up into clothing, bedding, &c., and for like purposes. They thus relieve the treasury of the Commission from the necessity of purchasing supplies belonging to certain cities, and thus render no aid to any other department of its work.

Those who desire fuller information as to the organization, method and cost of the Commission are referred to a statement of its system and of the application of its funds just published, copies of which may be had on application at the office of the United States Sanitary Commission, No. 823 Broadway, or at the bookstore of A. D. Farnham, No. 348 Broadway.

It is submitted to all humane and patriotic men that the Commission has saved, and is daily saving lives the country cannot afford to lose; what it is doing to economize the life and health of our soldiers, worth to the country ten times its cost. The Commission has recently set forth of direct practical importance to every one interested in diminishing the cost and the duration of the war.

Contributions may be sent to the Treasurer, at No. 68 Wall-st., or No. 823 Broadway, New-York.

By order of the Standing Committee,
GEORGE T. STRONG,
Treasurer United States Sanitary Commission.

Dec. 31, 1863.

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BADGER—CROSBY.—In this City, on Tuesday, Jan. 21, at the Church of the Incarnation, by Rev. P. H. Cheever, D. D., WILLIAM BADGER, M. D., U. S. A., to MARY BELLE CROSBY, daughter of the late Rev. A. H. Crosby.

DIED.

ARCHER.—In Friday, Jan. 22, LIZA, wife of William H. Archer and daughter of Benjamin D. and Maria Brush, aged 29 years.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her parents, No. 24 West 20th-st., on Monday afternoon next, at 2 o'clock. Without further notice.

BARNES.—On Sunday morning, Jan. 24, CHARLOTTE, widow of William Barnes, aged 74 years.

The remains will take place from her late residence, No. 40 South 3d-st., Brooklyn, E. D., on Tuesday afternoon, the 26th inst., at 2 o'clock. The friends of the family are invited to attend.

BROWN.—On Sunday, Jan. 24, George Howell, only son of George and Julia Brown, aged 3 years, 11 months and 3 days.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral service, on Monday, the 25th inst., at 1 o'clock, P. M., from the residence of his parents, No. 208 Carlton-ave., Brooklyn.

COLLINS.—In this City, on Sunday, Jan. 24, of Sinking Fever, Henry E. Collins, aged 20 years, son of William H. Collins, of Pottsville, Pa., in the 20th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral, from Friends' Meeting-house, Arch-st., above Fifth, on Tuesday, morning, the 26th inst., at 10½ o'clock.

DE FOREST.—On Saturday, Jan. 23, Mrs. HANNAH, widow of Isaac De Forest, in the 87th year of her age.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, from the residence of her son, William H. De Forest, No. 108 Bleecker-st., on Tuesday, the 26th inst., at 1 o'clock P. M., without further invitation.

DOUGHTY.—On Saturday, Jan. 23, Mrs. HANNAH, wife of John H. Doughty, aged 40 years.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, from her late residence, No. 1 Ludlow-st., on Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

FOSTER.—At Flushing, L. I., on Saturday, Jan. 23, MARTHA, youngest daughter of Jno. B. and Maria F. Foster, in the 5th year of her age.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend her funeral, at the residence of her parents, on third day, the 26th inst., at 10½ o'clock, A. M.

GREENE.—On Saturday, Jan. 23, MARGARET, wife of Stephen Greene, aged 23 years.

The friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral service, this Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, from her late residence, No. 128 Orchard-st., on Tuesday, 26th inst., at 1½ o'clock P. M.

HAGENEH.—At Paterson, N. J., on Friday, Jan. 22, GEORGE HAGENEH, aged 30 years and 6 months.

VISSCHER.—At Rome, N. Y., on Wednesday, Jan. 13, of Typhoid Fever, Mrs. AMELIA L. VISSCHER, wife of S. G. Visscher, aged 22 years.

McGRAW.—At Painesville, Ohio, on Wednesday, Jan. 20, from injuries received in the recent accident on the Cleveland and Erie Railroad, NAPOLEAN McGRAW, of this City, in the 25th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of his family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, on Monday afternoon, 25th inst., at 2 o'clock, from St. Paul's M. E. Church, 4th-av. and 22d-st., without further notice.

SILLIMAN.—On Friday evening, Jan. 22, Mrs. HANNAH ELY SILLIMAN, wife of Gold S. Silliman, in the 80th year of her age.

The friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral, from the First Reformed Dutch Church, in Joralemon-st., opposite the City Hall, Brooklyn, on Wednesday, the 27th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M.

WALKER.—On Saturday, Jan. 23, after a short illness, WILLIAM WALKER, in the 64th year of his age.

His friends, and those of his sons, Samuel J., William H. and Benjamin F. Walker, and of his son-in-law, Foster G. Ryerson, are requested to attend his funeral, from the residence of his son Samuel, No. 209 West 46th-st., on Monday afternoon, 25th inst., at 1 o'clock, without further invitation.

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No. 488 SIXTH-AV., NEW-YORK, Dec. 8, 1863.

I was deaf for several years, and hearing of the great cures performed by Dr. Von Eisenberg, I was induced to place myself under his care, and I am now happy to state that my hearing was entirely restored after a short treatment. I was also suffering from chronic catarrh, of which I was also cured by the skillful treatment of Dr. Von Eisenberg. I do but justice to the Doctor in stating that in treating me he displayed that skill and knowledge which have already procured for him such a deserved reputation, and that the principles which direct his system of curing Deafness and Catarrh are such as to render success certain, in my opinion. Many months have passed since Dr. Von Eisenberg restored my hearing, and it continues as good as ever.

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I have been suffering for a long time from a severe Catarrh, with a continual dullness in my head, a tightness across my chest, a weight over my eyes, which were weak, watery, and very painful. My nostrils were constantly obstructed with a running fluid. That frequent sneezing, hoarseness of my voice, often attended with a fullness of my throat, gray sputum, and a continual dropping. Dr. Von Eisenberg has cured me of all these disagreeable sufferings. I may, indeed, say that I feel a new man. The treatment of Dr. Von Eisenberg is as skillful as it is successful. It is to my opinion impossible to overcome the benefit I have received at his hands. I heartily recommend any one suffering like myself to place themselves under Dr. Von Eisenberg's care, with a certainty of being speedily cured.

W. S. HUTCHINS,
Lightning Calculator,
Barnum's Museum.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 23, 1864.

READ.

HIGHGATE, July 22, 1863.

I have been deaf for over TWENTY-FIVE YEARS, and Dr. Von EISENBERG operated on both of my ears without the slightest pain—a thing that I could not believe could be done. I now hear well, and feel as I never felt for the last twenty years. The dexterity and skill with which the operation was performed evince the highest practical ability. I hear *perfectly*. It is now over a month since the operation, and I continue to feel as well as ever.

WILLIAM LIDDLE,
Harlem, 126th-st., between 2d and 3d-ave.

No. 128 ALLEN-ST., New-York, Feb. 8, 1863.

I have been completely deaf in one ear, and partially so in the other, for above seventeen years, with a disagreeable discharge from both ears, combined with continual rumbling noise in the head, for which I have been treated by a most eminent practitioner to the City without the slightest relief.

Treated Dr. Von Eisenberg, but I must candidly say that I had no faith in his success when I did so. It is, therefore, due to Dr. Von Eisenberg to acknowledge that I am entirely cured; also, that he displayed that skill and knowledge which have procured for him such an unrivaled reputation. As I have had an opportunity of comparing his mode of treatment with that of others, I can truly state that it is not only superior, but the principles which direct his mode of restoring the hearing are, in my opinion, certain.

JOHN TAYLOR.

NEW-YORK, July 24, 1863.

This certifies that my mother has been for some time afflicted with partial deafness, suffering from pain, and rumbling noises in the head, together with other indications of a total loss of hearing. Dr. Von Eisenberg operated from her ears, given quantity of matter, together with congealed blood, relieving her immediately, and all without pain. She with grateful thanks that I give this testimony to his skill.

CARROLL J. FOSTER, No. 26 Ninth-st.

CHRONIC CATARRH CURED.

READ.

NEW-YORK, March 23, 1863.

This is to certify, that I have suffered from very severe CHRONIC CATARRH, with a dull heaviness in the head. This my nose completely obstructed by accumulations of the throat, the child stealing over me with occasional hot flushes, a great tightness of the chest and pain, so much so, that every one thought it was consumption. Having heard of the great cures performed by Dr. Von Eisenberg, I consulted him with but little hope of success. I am now happy to be enabled to add my testimonial to the great number already in the Doctor's possession, as to his scientific and successful mode of treatment, as he has thrown to my aid that skill and knowledge which have procured for him so great a reputation. I am so entirely restored to perfect health that I do most sincerely recommend all sufferers from CHRONIC CATARRH and SORE THROAT to apply at once to Dr. Von Eisenberg with a certainty of being cured."

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LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Shipments to Contraband Ports.

Through the vigilance of Surveyor ARNEWS, Marshal MURRAY, and the inspectors of Customs, the shipments of merchandise to "contraband ports," to be shore relaxed and run through the blockade, has virtually ceased. These officers have been untiring in their efforts to have this illicit trade broken up, and the guilty parties punished. Upon all vessels now loading for Southern ports, for Nassau and other ports of similar character, the cargo is rigidly examined by the inspectors, and the character of goods contraband of war escaping their vigilance are few, and far between.

It was by Surveyor ARNEWS' instructions that the steamship *Cortes* was so thoroughly overhauled and her passengers searched by the inspectors in charge of Deputy-Surveyor BROWN and Assistant-Surveyor VAN BOSKERCK, which resulted in bringing to light the evidence of the guilt of parties engaged in the contraband trade; and which effected such a bowl from the Nassau press, showing that the blockade-runners had been sadly "done" by Yankees.

It is a matter of rejoicing that this trade is thoroughly broken up, and the officers named deserve the thanks of every loyal man for the vigilance which has accomplished this result.

The Great Naval Race.

NOTE FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOX—HE DISCLAIMS ANY KNOWLEDGE OF MR. BUTTERSWORTH.

The following note from Mr. Assistant Secretary Fox to Mr. OLIVARIUS was received through our naval reporter at twelve o'clock last night. Mr. FOX, it will be seen, denies that he knows Mr. BUTTERSWORTH, to whose letter, as the statement of an authorized agent of the Navy Department, we have given a place elsewhere.

Mr. Assistant Secretary FOX, of the Navy Department, writes that BUTTERSWORTH, the pretended agent of the Navy Department, is either a myth or an imposter. In reply to Mr. OLIVARIUS, Mr. FOX writes:

NAVY DEPARTMENT, Jan. 23, 1864.

To R. M. Olyphant, Esq.:

DEAR SIR: In last evening's New-York Post I notice our correspondence published. I have not yet received your letter (11 A. M.), but have no doubt of its correctness. Butterworth, or whatever Indian name person by the name of Butterworth may assume, is amusing himself by instituting a public correspondence. I know nothing of the speed of the *Kin Kiang*, but as she is a smaller vessel than the *Fusiyama* with a larger engine, and built expressly for Chinese waters, where the highest speed is required, the race consequently is interesting to those who consider that great speed is the only requisite for a man-of-war.

I trust the Navy Department has no authority to pay any expenses incurred by your vessel in this chase. This, however, cannot prevent a certain publication. The amount necessary to give the *Kin Kiang* a few days run must be very small, and can be easily raised by subscription. *Provided $3,000 will cover it,* I will guarantee that sum to you.

I suggest that both boats be sent to Hampton Roads, and that the race be there to New-York. If, after this point, because several of the Naval Committee of the House desire to witness it, I will be at your office, No. 48 South-street, during Monday, to arrange the matter.

Very respectfully, G. V. FOX.

Arrival of the Fifth Connecticut Regiment.

Last evening the Fifth Connecticut regiment, 900 strong, arrived in this City from Cowan, Tennessee, all of whom have reenlisted for the war. The Fifth has participated in the following battles: Second battle of Winchester, Cedar Mountain, Chancellorsville and Gettysburgh, besides a number of minor skirmishes. This regiment was quartered for the night at the Park Barracks; this morning, at 8 o'clock, it leaves for Hartford, Conn. Annexed is a list of the officers:

Colonel, Warren W. Packer; Lieutenant-Colonel, Henry W. Daboll; Major, W. S. Cogswell; Adjutant, W. A. Daniels; Assistant Surgeons, Andrew F. Gilbert, Evelyn L. Bissel; Quartermaster, E. K. Carley; Captains, Charles Banfield, Charles Doyle, Marlon P. Waldron, Alfred A. Packer, Wm. C. Rockwell, Alfred A. Chinery, Wm. P. Smith, Theodore H. Dibble, Adolphus F. Riley; Lieutenants, George Raymond, —— Whitlocr, Alvin H. Hart, Walter Burns, Isaac Weiden, Eugene H. Cobey, Michael Donovan, Charles Reynolds, George Titus, Stephen F. Rugg, Edwin E. Carter, Albert L. Gavitt, Wm. S. Purtiton, Perry E. Wilson, James Stewart, Isaac Kellum.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND SECOND NEW-YORK VETERAN VOLUNTEERS.—This veteran City regiment reached New-York yesterday afternoon, and is quartered in the Park Barracks. It consists of veterans furlough to recruit, every man of its 250 survivors have persons having reenlisted. The regiment was organized in December, 1861, and left for Virginia in March, 1862, 927 strong, under Col. VAN BOSKERCK. Its battles rolls as follows, omitting minor affairs: Bolivar Heights, Cedar Mountain, White Sulphur Springs, Chantilly, (in reserve,) Antietam, The Wilderness, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, Lookout Mountain, (where it was first in the advance of the skirmishers, and took three or four times as many prisoners as it contained men,) Missionary Ridge and Ringgold. Col. VAN BOSKERCK has left the regiment. Its Lieutenant-Colonel is in this City with a leg shot off; its Major was killed at Lookout; and it has in all eleven staff and line officers left, viz.: L. R. Stagman, Captain commanding; Adj. Grafts, Quartermaster Newland, Surgeon Love, Assistant-Surgeon Apolegate, Capts. Van Buren, and Lieut. Stanton, Hathaway, Davis, McCarty and McGuire.

MEETING OF THE UNION CENTRAL COMMITTEE.—There was a special meeting of the Union Central Committee held on Saturday evening, at their hall, corner of Broadway and Twenty-third-street, which was largely attended. The principal business of the meeting was the introduction and adoption, unanimously, of resolutions and resolutions supporting ABRAHAM LINCOLN for reelection to the Presidency. WILLIAM A. DARLING presided. The meeting adjourned at an early hour.

LARGE FIRE IN A CORNICE SHOP.—Yesterday morning a fire broke out in a large four-story building, rear of Nos. 206 and 208 Cherry-street, owned and occupied by Mr. A. T. Bassett, as a cornice shop. The building and contents were entirely destroyed. Loss on building, $2,000; on stock, $6,000; fully insured in City companies. The fire is believed to have been the work of an incendiary. Fire Marshal BRESS is making an investigation.

A PITTSBURG KILLED.—About 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, Wesley Oliver, manager of Regan [illegible]

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Enlistment of Colored Troops in Kentucky—Executive Order.

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY, "EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, FRANKFORT, Jan. 13, 1864.

Brig.-Gen. J. T. Boyle, Commanding District of Kentucky, Louisville, Ky.:

DEAR SIR: The letter referred by you to me from "H. BARNS, Colonel First Michigan Colored regiment," requesting your aid, to "Capt. W. A. McCLELLAND" in his recruiting mission to Kentucky for the "First Michigan Colored regiment," is before me.

Furnish the Colonel and his recruiting Captain with a copy of my reply to a similar request made by "Capt. EDWARD CARELL, recruiting colored troops," and also with a copy of this letter.

No such recruiting will be tolerated here. Summary justice will be inflicted upon any who attempt *such unlawful purpose.*

"Negro traders" have ever been held in disrepute in the Slave States, and only tolerated as we tolerate *the culture tribe, because they rid us of the vicious* and worthless slave population.

But, under pretence of loyalty, a class of "traffickers in human flesh" have started up, far more contemptible for their hypocritical pretensions to loyalty, *and more despicable because of the meanness* of their motive—men who, to make profit to themselves, engage to enlisting slaves and free negroes to enlist, that they may "sell them" as substitutes, obtaining the large bounties offered in States not willing to furnish of their own population the call made upon their loyalty for volunteers by our Government.

Such "traffickers in human flesh" will endanger their own liberties if they are caught within this State.

Your action is in accordance with the laws of the State, the purposes as we are assured of the Federal authorities, and my approving judgment.

Respectfully, THOS. E. BRAMLETTE, Governor of Kentucky.

(Advertisement.)

A HAS BEHEAD THE GOODNESS, CURSE THE HUMAN FAMILY IS HERE TO.—How many lovers it has separated—how many friends forever parted! The subject is so delicate your nearest friend will not mention it, and you are ignorant of the fact yourself. To effect a radical cure, use the "Balm of a Thousand Flowers" as a dentrifice, night and morning. It will also remove impurities, removing all tan, pimples, and freckles, leaving the skin soft and white. For sale by all druggists.

(Advertisement.)

WHAT CAN WE DO BEST?—Organization indicates this. Examinations, with full written charts, given daily, by FOWLER & WELLS, Phrenologists, No. 308 Broadway. A class of ladies and gentlemen meet for instruction Tuesday and Friday evenings. Parents and teachers would do well to *attend.*

(Advertisement.)

A SPECIMEN MAN sent a note to E. HOLMES, professor of the SUNDIAL ALARM TELEGRAPH, No. 302 Broadway, asking an interview at his house. Thought he knew all about it; acknowledged his mistake; was wonderfully surprised that it was so perfect; ordered it put in his house immediately. Comment is unnecessary.

(Advertisement.)

HERRING'S Patent Champion Fire-proof Safes, and HERRING'S new Patent Burglar-proof Safes, with HERRING & FLOYD'S Patent Crystallized Iron—the only material which cannot be drilled—at No. 251 Broadway, New-York.

Passengers Arrived.

JAN. 24.—*In steamship Etna, from Liverpool.*—Mrs. Prior and daughter, Mrs. Hawtrey, Mrs. Dowling, Capt. Gleaker, lady and child, Mr. McManus, Mrs and Mrs. Herbert, Mr. Edgar, Mr. Hughes and lady, Mr. Blair, W. J. Sillery, Mrs. Wade and child, J. R. Pruyne.

In U. S. steam transport America, from New-Orleans.—Lieut. Col. Bailey, Lieut. Col. Wood, Capt. W. H. Morris, Capt. Ayres and wife, Capt. Gilbert Adams, W. H. Glodden, Lieut. Chas. Coulturier, Lieut. L. M. Nicholls, Dr. Bud, Capt. J. F. M. Derrickson, Andrew Cosgrif, Jas. G. Roworth, U. S. N.

MISCELLANEOUS ALMANAC—THIS DAY.

Sun rises..... 7 15 | Sun sets..... 5 01 | Moon rises. 7 03
HIGH WATER—THIS DAY.
Sandy Hook. 0 31 | Gov. Island.. 0 20 | Hell Gate.. 10 42

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

NEW-YORK....SUNDAY, Jan. 24.

Arrived.

Steamship Etna, (Br.,) McGuiran, Liverpool Jan. 9, via Queenstown 11th, 4:30 P. M., with mdse. and 200 passengers to John G. Dale. Jan. 6, off the Bell Buoy, passed steamship City of New-York, bound in. Jan. 8, 1 A. M., off Holyhead, passed steamship Helvetia, bound S. 9th, 1 P. M., lat. 16 25, lon. 61 12, steamship Hecla, bound S. 2d, 3 P. M., 200 miles E. of Sandy Hook, steamship Glasgow, hence for Liverpool 23d, 3 P. M., a screw steamer bound W.

Ship E. Sherman, transport America, Shaw, New-Orleans, via Pensacola Jan. 15, 3 P. M., with cotton, sugar, etc., to U. S. Quartermaster. Jan. 24, off Delaware, passed steamship Arago, hence for Fort Royal.

U. S. steam transport Louisa Moore, Winters, Newbern, N. C., in ballast to U. S. Asst. Quartermaster.

Steamship Star, transport, Comerpolitan, Hall, Port Royal Jan. 21, with passengers to U. S. Asst. Quartermaster.

Steamship United Kingdom, (Br.,) Glasgow Dec. 27, via Portland Jan. 21, at 3 P. M., with mdse. and 44 passengers to Prince & Co.

Steamer Nightingale, (new,) Warren, Mystic 18 hours, in ballast to master.

Steamer Weybosset, (new,) Bryant, Mystic 18 hours, in ballast to master.

Steamer Rhode, Jones, Providence.

Steamer Kingfisher, Hyde, Providence.

Bark Maria Soares, (of London,) McLean, Pernambuco Dec. 19, with mdse. to order. Left no vessel.

Bark Friedrich Martin, (Bremen,) Harbagen, Montevideo Dec. 4, with hides to Omear & Faulk.

Barque Lamplighter, Morris, Port Royal 4 ds., in ballast to Merrill & Abbott.

Brig J. Congdon, (of Truro, N. S.,) Forbes, Bonaire 16 ds., with salt to E. J. & C. A. DeWolf. Left no vessels.

Brig Otto, (of Halifax,) Stanly, Long Island, Bahamas, 8 ds., with salt and cotton seed to Brett, Son & Old. Left no vessels.

Brig Burgermeister Sternberg, (Mecklenburg,) Heidtmann, Rio Janeiro 36 ds., with coffee to Funck, Meincke & Wendt. Has had heavy weather; lost sails, etc.

Brig G. L. Beckman, ——, Beaufort N. C., in ballast to master.

Brig Gorgonia, (Mecklenburg,) Tons, Cienfuegos 11 ds., with wood to Funck, Meincke & Wendt. Experienced very bad weather and head winds.

Brig Judge Hathaway, Rogers, Norfolk 3 ds., with wood to E. Brown & Co.

Brig Christiana Gerhell, (of Liverpool,) Rogers, Rio Janeiro Nov. 19, with coffee to E. D. Morgan & Co.

Schr. Mary Kelly, (of St. Andrews, N. B.,) Reed, Black River, Jam., 12 ds., with logwood to Simpson & Eaton. Left no vessels.

Schr. Ellen Baker, Campbell, Great Egg Harbor, with wood.

Schr. John Walker, Brewster, New-Haven, for Virginia.

Schr. Marion A. Gould, Trim, Machias 20 ds., with lumber to master.

Schr. Cabot, Wilkerson, Boston 3 ds., with mdse. to S. W. Lewis & Co.

Schr. Grace Girdler, Clark, Portland, for Alexandria.

Schr. Mining Dover, Pierce, Belfast, Me., with barley.

Schr. Harlequin, Greenly, Rockland, with lime.

Schr. War Eagle, Seely, Providence.

Schr. Louis F. Smith, Cole, Providence, for Tangier.

Schr. J. R. Austin, Davis, Portland, for Washington.

Schr. Owen Beaver, Reaves, Portland, for Washington.

Schr. E. G. Willard, Parsons, Portland, with lime.

Schr. D. S. Marshon, Allen, Virginia, with wood.

Schr. Lucia Newell, Fortress Monroe, with wood.

Schr. A. H. Haines, Blackman, Virginia, with wood.

WIND—Sunset, S. W.

Sailed.

Jan. 24—Steamships Boston, City of Richmond, Star, Merlin, (Br.,) Lee Amicos, (Br.,) Helvetia, (Br.,) Prince, (Br.)

Jan. 23—Steamer Rhode Island, U. S. transports E. L. Scott, Hale, E. L. Clark, Montauk.

Ships Antelope, Wheeler, Liverpool, (Br.,) Ann Stuart, (Br.,) Lancaster, (Br.,) Mary, (Br.,) Anita, (Argentine.)

Brigs Bailey Vinera, (Br.,) State Fredericksburg, Chase, R. L. Swan, Vanmiter, Maria, Gleason, Beaver, Cypress, Warren, Princess Alice, Leonard Berry, Schrs. Alabama, Julia, Chas. Roberts, St. Lawrence, Susan B. Joyce, Wm. Hunter.

Below.

Ship H. F. Alexander, from Liverpool 8 days.
Ship [illegible], with [illegible].

By Telegraph.

BOSTON, Jan. 24.—Arr. bark Gold Rim Bullion, Africa; brig J. R. Chapman, Cuba; schrs. Alice, Portland; Mary E. Walker, Port Talbot